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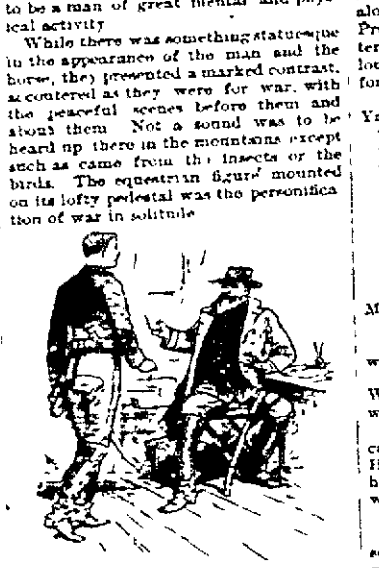
CHAPTER I.

NO MAN'S LAND.

It was the twentieth of August, eighteen hundred and sixty two. Corinth had been evacuated more than two months before. The Army of the Ohio had moved eastward into northern Alabama. The president and eminent Union generals were anxious as to east Tennessee, where, it was rumored, the Confederates were preparing for some new move.

High in the Cumberland mountains a soldier in the blue and yellow uniform of a private of cavalry sat on his horse, looking down on the valleys of the Sequatchie and the Tennessee. A carbine was slung over his shoulder; a Colt's revolver was at his hip. He was long and lithe and graceful. About him was an air of refinement seldom found under a private's uniform except during that war which called out men from all classes, both in the north and in the south. His hair was light, his blue eye was restless and denoted its possessor to be a man of great mental and physical activity.

While there was something statuesque in the appearance of the man and the horse, they presented a marked contrast, accoutered as they were for war, with the peaceful scenes before them and about them. Not a sound was to be heard up there in the mountains except such as came from the insects or the birds. The equestrian figure mounted on its lofty pedestal was the personification of war in solitude.



"Go, and God bless you," he said.

As the soldier gazed down upon the expansive view different expressions flitted across his face. At one moment there was a serious look, such as men wear on the eve of battle, at another a shrinking expression, then a dreamy one. He saw territory that lay beyond the Union lines. He wondered what warlike scenes were hidden down there within the blending of rocks and rivers and undulations lying calm and sweet before him that summer afternoon. Were clusters of white tents there? Were brigades, divisions, army corps marching?

Now he thought he could hear a distant creaking of caissons and gun carriages. But he knew this could not be. If they were there, they were too far to be heard. The sounds never became real. The young man's fancies were always broken by the actual rustle of the leaves or some sound from the furred or feathered inhabitants of the mountains.

Then a scene he had passed through the previous evening came up before him.

He stood in the presence of a general of division—the finest specimen of physical splendor of all the generals of the Union army—one who was a year later to achieve the title of "the Rock of Chickamauga." The general was speaking while his subordinate was listening respectfully and attentively.

"I am ordered by the department commander to find out what is going on at Chattanooga. Our reconnoitering parties have thus far brought us nothing save that there is no enemy very near. We are liable to be flanked and cut off from east Tennessee. See here." He turned to a map spread out on a pine table. "Here is Chattanooga, here the Sequatchie valley, up here to the north is Knoxville held by General Kirby Smith for the Confederates. Here is Cumberland gap. If the enemy is concentrating at Chattanooga he may not only hold it against a greatly superior force, but can march right along here"—he traced the route with his finger—"form a junction with General Smith at Knoxville, and into Kentucky. Louisville and Cincinnati will be in danger. Forrest and Morgan are hammering at our communications; we get reports of immense forces of the enemy at Knoxville, everything points to this or some similar plan of campaign on the part of the Confederates. If so, they must be concentrating at Chattanooga as a point of rendezvous."

The general paused, then looking the soldier in the eye said impressively:

"You are the only man to whom I can intrust so important a mission. I can't order you, as you know, beyond our lines, except in uniform. Go as far as you dare as a soldier. I leave the rest to you. Will you undertake to bring me the information we require?"

"I will, general."

"Very well. The fate of this army, the success of the Union arms in the west, perhaps the prolongation of the war, depend upon you."

The young man bowed, but said nothing.

"You will need a pass to get beyond our pickets." The general drew a camp chair beside a pine table and took up a pen. "How will you have it written?"

"'Pass Private Mark Malone'—that name will do as well as any—'beyond our lines at will.'"

The general wrote the pass and handing it to Private Malone, "Go, and God bless you!" he said. He took his emissary's hand and pressed it heartily.

As the words, "Go, and God bless you!" rang again in memory the soldier touched the flanks of his horse lightly with his great brass spurs and began to descend the mountain.

An hour later he entered the little town of Jasper. Riding up to the tavern he reined in his horse and let him drink at the rough wooden trough in front. A number of country people were sitting on the veranda, and every one fixed his eyes on the soldier, who sat on his horse looking about him with as much apparent indifference as if he were within the Union lines. When the animal had drunk his fill his rider cast the reins to a negro and dismounted. Then, detaching his carbine from where he had hooked it to his saddle, he took it in his hand and tramped into the house to the jingle of his spurs.

Not a word was spoken by those watching in admiration the strapping young fellow with so young a face set on so stalwart a frame. He paid no attention to them, but walked into the dining room and called for supper. After devoting himself to a plate of bacon and corn bread, with a cup of chicory in lieu of coffee (for the blockade of the southern ports had stopped the flow of the coffee bean from foreign countries), he walked out on the gallery, and seating himself on a wooden bench took a brierwood pipe and a tobacco pouch out of his pocket and began to smoke.

Jasper was "no man's land." The people living there and thereabout were nearly all Confederate sympathizers, but had learned to look for Union or Confederate troops with an equal chance of either. From the moment of the soldier's arrival they had discussed his coming in whispers. Soldiers of either side usually came in numbers. It was seldom that a single trooper had the hardihood to enter the town of Jasper alone, especially one wearing the blue. Presently an old man dressed in "butternut" got up from his seat among the loungers and approached the stranger for the purpose of reconnoiter.

"Reckon y' come from Decherd, Yank?"

"Thereabout."

"Over the mountains?"

"Yes."

"You uns got many sojers over thar?"

"Where?"

"At Sparty."

"No."

"Murfreesboro?"

"I don't know."

"Reckon thar's a powerful sight at McMinnville?"

"A division perhaps."

The man paused a moment and then went on:

"That's an all fired pert rifle o' yourn. Wouldn't mind lettin me handle it, would y'?"

Mark cocked the piece, took off the cap and handed it to his interrogator. He still had his revolver, while the man had a weapon which could not be fired without a percussion cap.

"Wal, now, that's quar."

The man looked from the rifle to the soldier, not knowing which to admire most, the mechanism of the former or the coolness of the latter. Then he handed it back.

"You ain't no Yank."

"Why not?"

"Yanks don't come down hyar all alone. Besides a Yankee sojer wouldn't ride a blooded mare like that a one. Morgan's men rides them kind o' critters and wears them uniforms sometimes."

Mark smiled knowingly.

"You think I'm one of Colonel Morgan's men, do you?"

"Reckon yer one o' ourn anyway."

And the man walked away well satisfied with his penetration.

The soldier got up, went into the tavern and paid for his supper with one of the postal shinplasters used at the time in lieu of silver, then he came out and called for his horse. While waiting he stood leaning against a post of the gallery, maintaining the same easy confidence that had characterized him since his arrival. Presently a negro came around from the barn, leading the slender legged mare, and the soldier sauntering up to her leisurely stroked her neck, then mounting without once looking at his observers, he rode away.

But private Malone's confidence was all assumed. He did not start on the road he designed to follow; he trotted off up the valley, intending later to find a path or a crossroad which would take him southward to the Chattanooga pike. He suspected that the group he was leaving would not suffer him to ride that night in safety, and he did not care to let them know his true route.

Mark trotted on up the road while the daylight was fading. He was musing upon the difficult, the hazardous task before him. The road was deserted except by himself; the evening was still, and his horse's hoofs beat loud on the stones beneath him. When he was riding in the open he felt comparatively confident, but upon entering a thicket he would uneasily reach down and put his hand upon his rifle. He knew the bushwhacker of the period, and fancied that a rifle or a shotgun lurked behind every tree. Amid the peaceful quiet of a summer evening in the country it was strange that one should look for death. None but a practiced scout would have been thus on the alert.

The twilight was nearly faded. Mark had gone about three miles from the tavern when, nearing a fork in the road, he heard:

"Halt, thar!"

Instinctively his hand went to the handle of his revolver, for the sound was near enough to indicate that a pistol rather than a rifle might be needed.

"Air you uns the sojer ez tuk supper at the tavern at Jasper?" asked a voice, singularly soft for a bushwhacker.

"Well, suppose I am!"

"I know y' from yer voice."

"How's that?" asked the soldier, puzzled.

"Kind o' deep and smoothlike. Y' mought as wal put up yer shooten iron. I got a bead on y'."

Mark could see no one, but judging from the voice of the speaker his alarm partially subsided.

"I reckoned y' mought come along hyar, so I jist squatted and waited."

"Well, what do you want with me?"

"I'm one o' the Slacks. We're Union, we Slacks air. They're goen to drive us out soon, I reckon."

"Union, eh? What are you—man, woman, boy or gal?"

"I'm a gal."

"The dickens! What are you stopping me for at the muzzle of a gun?"

"Lordy! How'd I know y'? Y' mought 'a' ben a bushwhacker. I war at the tavern whar y' tuk supper. The landlord's wife, she's my aunt. I sor y' come in and hearn y' talken to old Venables. They reckoned y' war Confederate till y' paid in Yankee shinplasters, then they reckoned y' mought be Yankee after all."

Mark began to be interested. It was now evident to him that this person ensconced behind a snake fence, holding him under cover of a gun, was a friend instead of an enemy.

"Well?"

"I hem out hyar to tell y' 'bout it."

"Then let me see you as well as hear you."

A figure with a gun climbed over the fence and advanced toward the soldier. When it came near enough Mark saw a girl who might be anywhere between sixteen and eighteen, for her skirt only reached to the tops of her shoes, and her hair was cut square around her neck. She came very near to him and spoke in a low tone.

"After y' left the tavern some on 'em 'lowed y' was Union, and some on 'em 'lowed y' was Confederate, leastaways, they wasn't sartin. Uncle, he's hed secesh, and he 'lowed y' was Union and bound on some errant fur the Yankees. So he pursuaded several on 'em ter mount 'n follow y'. They was gitten ready, and I slipped out to the barn and tuk my pony, what I rode over on this afternoon, 'n Jakey's squirrel gun (Jakey's my brother), what I allus carries when I ride round in these hyar war times, 'n I makes tracks cross country by a trail I allus goes to uncle's 'n comes hum agin while the men air comen by the road. I jest rode Sally Maria among the trees thar and tied her and squatted behind the fence till y' come along and—Lordy sakes!"

"What's the matter now?"

"Listen!"

They were both quiet for a moment, the girl's two big black eyes denoting her anxiety. They could distinctly hear the tread of horses coming on a brisk lope.

Without a word the girl seized Mark's bridle rein and led horse and rider off the road into the wood. At a short distance behind a rise in the ground she stopped. Mark was inclined to go on farther.

"No, no," she said hurriedly. "My pony's right thar. If she ketches sight o' your horse she'll whinny."

Mark dismounted, and the girl, plucking a handful of grass, held it to his horse's mouth to keep his attention from other matters that he might not neigh and betray them. The two stood looking at each other while the sounds grew louder, dreading every moment that either one of their horses might give the signal that would lead to their discovery. There were evidently not less than half a dozen of the horsemen on the road, altogether too many for one man, even if well armed, to meet.

The men rode up to the fork of the road, where they reined in their horses for a parley. It was a question doubtless which road the Yankee soldier had taken. Presently they divided, one party taking the left hand road to Tracy City, the other the road leading up the valley.

As soon as they were gone Mark took the girl's hand and gave it a grateful pressure.

"God bless you, my girl, you've saved me from capture or being shot in the back—shot, I expect."

The girl shuddered. She knew well enough the fate he would have met if his pursuers had overtaken him. They would have come upon him warily and shot him from behind a tree. When the sounds from the retreating horsemen had died away in the distance she said:

"Come."

CHAPTER II.

A CHANGE OF UNIFORM.

The soldier followed her, leading his horse, till they came upon her own pony tied to a sapling. Mark offered to help her mount, but she was not used to such civility, and leading her horse to the trunk of a fallen tree mounted by herself.

Crossing the road, the two entered a wood on the other side. The girl kept a straight course till she came to a creek, which she forded below and near a log that had been felled across it to be used for a footbridge. On the farther side she struck an old road, abandoned, at least, for wheels. Mark rode up alongside of her. She was a wild looking thing with hardly a trace of civilization about her except her calico dress and cowhide shoes.

"Where are you taking me to?" asked Mark.

"Hum."

"Where's home?"

"T'other side o' th' Sequatchie river."

"How far is it to the river?"

"'Bout a mile from the creek we just crossed."

"And how far from the river to your home?"

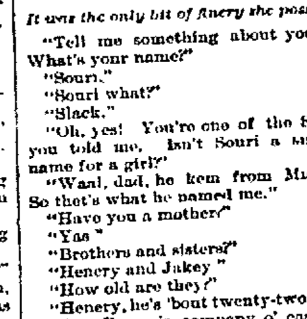
"'Bout another mile. We live on a road ez runs from the Chatteroogy pike to Anderson."

"That's well. I want to reach the pike."

"Waal, y'll only hev ter go a couple o' mile from our house t' git thar."

"You seem to know all about this country."

"Reckon I do. I was born hyar. I done a heap o' hunten in these hyar woods. I toted a gun all over 'em."



It was the only bit of finery she possessed.

"Tell me something about yourself. What's your name?"

"Souri."

"Souri what?"

"Slack."

"Oh, yes! You're one of the Slacks, you told me. Isn't Souri a singular name for a girl?"

"Waal, dad, he kem from Missouri. So that's what he named me."

"Have you a mother?"

"Yas."

"Brothers and sisters?"

"Henery and Jakey."

"How old are they?"

"Henery, he's 'bout twenty-two. He's in Jim Brown's company o' east Tennessee cavalry."

"What? Union cavalry?"

"Yas."

"You mean regiment, not company. I know Brown well. How old is your other brother?"

"Jakey, he's thirteen."

"At home?"

"Yas."

"What are you going to do with me when you get me to your home?"

"Take y' to the barn, I reckon."

"Why not to the house? Aren't your folks all right? I thought you said they were Union."

"Oh, they're all Union. But mebbe they mought suspect at the tavern (seein I'm gone 'thout sayen goodby and knowen I'm Union) thet I've put y' up to somep'n or tuk y' hum."

"Souri," said Mark meditatively, "do you know that since I met you I have been"——

"Doen a job o' thinken?"

"You've hit it exactly."

"What 'bout?"

"I've been thinking that you're nobody's fool."

The girl laughed, or rather chuckled. She enjoyed the compliment and was too unsophisticated to pretend that she did not.

They soon struck a dirt road leading directly south, which they followed till they came to the Sequatchie river, striking a ford at the same time. Souri led the way into the ford, Mark following. Her pony was used to such crossings, this one in particular, while Mark's horse preferred to feel his way slowly, consequently Souri reached the opposite bank before Mark had got half way over.

It was now night, but it was clear, and a half moon cast its faint light upon the land and the river. Mark suddenly looked up from the water and saw Souri on the bank watching him. Had he been near enough he would have seen anxiety depicted on every feature of her face.

"Keep up the stream!" she called, pointing at the same time.

He turned his horse's head as she directed, but soon lowering his eyes to the water began to go down stream again.

"Look at me," she called; "don't look at the water. Its runnen makes it seem ez ef y' war goen straight when yer goen crooked. Thar's a ledge o' rocks below thar and deep water beyond."

Mark fixed his eyes on his guide, and turning his horse's head toward her urged her forward. She picked her way slowly, as if conscious of danger and at last coming to the brink stepped quickly out of the water and shook herself.

"What makes you tremble so?" he asked of Souri.

"I ain't," she said, coloring.

"Is that a dangerous ford?"

"Ef y'd a-tumbled off'n the ledge y'd 'a' drownded."

"I've done some scouting before this, but I see now that I haven't learned to cross a current till today. Next time I'll look out for something on shore to steer by."

Another ten minutes brought them home. They came upon the house from its rear. It fronted on the road running northward and faced east. Souri led the way to a rickety barn, where both horses were stabled. She left Mark in the barn while she went into the house to inform the inmates of his presence.

Presently she came out.

"Dad 'lows y' mought come in fur a spell 'thout much resk. They won't know o' y'r bein hyar yet awhile. Leastways thar's no hurry. But dad reckons y' mought sleep in the barn with one eye open."

"I shall not sleep anywhere tonight. I must go on. But I'll go in with you for awhile."

A man met them at the door with white, shocky hair and a stubble beard. He looked sixty, though he was ten or fifteen years younger. He walked as if he were following the plow. His trousers were drawn nearly up to his armpits, a double breasted waistcoat served in lieu of a coat, and an old woolen hat covered his head to the back of his neck.

"Them blue clothes looks kinder peart to we uns down hyar ez ain't seen nothen but gray," said the man. "I 'lowed when you uns went up ter Chattenoogy last June and fired them big guns at the town y' was goen to hold onto these hyar parts."

"Perhaps it was a mistake," said Mark, "but I never criticise the acts of my superiors."

"Come inter th' house."

The dwelling was composed of two square log houses, some ten feet apart, under one roof, with a floor between the two. The man led Mark into one of these parts or houses. The articles in it that struck the soldier's eye were a very high bedstead, heightened further by a feather bed, a chest of drawers and a clock on the mantel that ticked loud enough to be heard out in the barn. There were some pieces of rag carpet on the floor, two or three hard seated chairs and a rocker.

"What y' got fur supper?" the old man asked as his wife entered.

"I don't want any supper," said the soldier. "I only ate an hour or two ago."

The woman, who was bent down through some nervous disease, went to the chest of drawers, took therefrom a cob pipe and some tobacco and began to smoke.

"Much shaken among the sojers, stranger?" she asked.

"At the beginning of a fight there's a good deal," replied Mark, "but after they're once in they get on without much trouble."

"Don't mean that kind of shaken—ager."

"Oh, ague. No, I don't think there's much ague."

"Fever?"

"There's always more or less camp fever. It seems as if every man who campaigns in this country must have a dose of typhoid to get acclimated."

"Thar's a powerful lot o' fevers 'bout hyar. Thar's the typhoid, the broken bone, the intermitten and the remitten, and onct en awhile we git yaller jack when it comes up the Mississippi from Orleans."

"That's a good deal of fever," replied Mark; "but, to come down to business, I want to say a few words to you people. You're sure you're Union?"

"Sarten," said the old man.

"Got a youngun in Jim Brown's company of east Tennesseeans," said the old woman. "I hearn th' all had the measles in th' spring. Henery hed it."

"Yes, that regiment was nearly all down at one time. Now, I'm going on a very dangerous mission. May I rely on—who are you?"

A boy about thirteen years of age had come into the room, and squaring himself before Mark began to stare at him.

"Jake," replied the intruder. "I have something of importance to say to your father and mother." Then to the parents, "Won't you please send him out?"

"Jest's y' like, stranger," answered the father, "but mebbe Jake mought show y' th' way or somep'n. He's purty peart."

Jake's appearance did not bear witness to the encomium.

"Well, let him stay. I would like to rely on this house as a place of refuge in case I have to get back here rapidly. I want you to take care of my horse, and if I never come you can keep him. If I do come I'll pay you more liberally for horse fodder than you ever were paid before."

"Y' talk purty rich for a common sojer."

"Don't fear for that. I have money," and Mark showed a roll of bills that astonished his host.

"Do you agree?"

"Sarten, but the money don't make no differ. I'm a Union man to the backbone."

"Have you any citizen's clothes?"

"Thar's Henery's store clothes ez he left when he went to jine th' army."

"Will they fit me?"

"Reckon so. Henery's 'bout your size."

Slack took the soldier into the twin log cabin and there gave him a suit of clothes which were intended for best wear, but they had evidently been so intended for years, with frequent deviations from the intention. Mark took off his uniform, which, with his rifle and pistol and other accouterments, he put under the bed. Then he drew off his boots (so loose that he could easily remove them without unbuckling his spurs) and put on a pair of shoes. A felt hat completed his attire.

"La sakes!" said Souri, raising her hands as she met him passing between the cabins, thus arrayed for secret service.

As Mark entered the room where he had left Mrs. Slack and Jakey their eyes stood out wonderingly. Jakey's admiration for the soldier in uniform had been great, but one who could suddenly transform himself was an object of curiosity. Mr. Slack followed Mark into the room.

"Now how about the road?" asked Mark.

"What?"

"To Chattanooga."

"Waal, y' mought go right up the road in front 'n the house fur 'bout a mile. Then y'll come ter a road leaden sort o' southeast like. Ef y' go down this ar road it'll take y' ter th' Chattenoogy pike. Jakey, you mought go along 'n show 'm th' way."

"Do you know the road your father speaks of, leading to the Chattanooga pike?" asked Mark of the boy.

"Does I know, Souri?"

"None o' them sideways talken, Jake. Answer straight," said Mr. Slack severely.

"Recken I does. I knows all th' roads 'bout hyar."

Mark looked at the boy and thought a few moments without speaking. He was a stupid looking child, but Mark thought that if he could get him to go with him it might avert suspicion. Were he brighter he might be of use perhaps. At any rate, he would doubtless serve some purpose.

"Jakey," he asked, "how would you like to go with me on—a trip?"

"How would I like to shoot squirrels?"

"You, Jake! Didn't I tell y' t' answer straight?" from the father.

"Yas, I'd like ter go."

"I've a mind to take you if your father will let you go," said Mark meditatively.

"Many fevers 'bout Chattenoogy?" asked the mother, taking the pipe out of her mouth and casting an anxious glance at her son.

"What y' goen ter do with him?" asked Slack.

"I only want him for a companion—to divert suspicion—and—well, I can't tell exactly what—for an emergency perhaps."

"What's a 'mergency?" asked Jakey.

"Well, if I should learn something of importance I might want to send you back with the news, or if I should be caught in a—in a"——

"Tree, like a coon, with a gun or a dorg below," supplied Jakey.

"That's it exactly. I might want to send word about that."

"I'm afeard he's too little ter be of any use that a-way," said his father.

"Oh, Jakey can't go. He's got ter stay right hyar 'n do hoen," claimed his mother.

"What do you say, Jakey? Do you want to go?" asked Mark.

"Would I"——

"You, Jake!" again shouted his father.

"Course I want ter go."

"I'll tell you what I'll do. If you will let him go I'll bring him or send him back safely and leave a twenty dollar greenback here with you for him on his return."

"Souri! Souri!" called Slack.

Souri came in so quickly as to argue that she had not been out of hearing of all that had passed.

"Snack fur these two uns," said her father.

Souri departed, and presently returned with a bundle containing cold eatables.

"Now, Jakey," said his father as they all stood at the front gate before the departure of the two travelers, "remember yer a Unioner 'n treat the stranger fair."

"Oh, I ain' no slouch, 'f I am little," replied the boy, with a shrug and a scowl, indicating that he regarded the injunction entirely uncalled for.

"'N, Jakey," called his mother, "don't yer go 'n sleep out nights 'n git th' ager."

"Never yer mind, maw. I ain't goen ter git no ager."

The two started off up the road. The air was pleasant, and it was not too warm for tramping. They passed out of the clearing, and were about entering the wood into which the road took them when they heard a step behind them. Turning, there was Souri.

"How long d' y' low y' mought be gone down thar?" she asked.

Mark looked into her face, and she lowered her eyes.

"Why do you want to know, Souri?"

"Waal, maw, she'll worrit 'bout Jakey."

"I can't tell you."

"How fur y' goen?"

"To Chattanooga. Perhaps farther but not likely."

"What'll th' do t' y' ef they kotch y'?"

"They'll probably lift me off my feet with a hemp cord."

"They won't, will they? Don't talk that a-way."

She looked at him with her black eyes and shivered.

"I guess I can get through all right," said Mark reassuringly. "I've done it before."

The girl stood for a few moments irresolute. Then she drew a red silk handkerchief from her bosom and handed it to Mark. It was the only bit of finery she possessed.

"What is that for, Souri?" asked Mark affected in spite of himself.

"Waal, ef I don't see y' no more, y' mought keep et ter— ter— Mebbe ef y' git inter trouble y' mought find a chance ter send it ter me—Jakey mought tote it—'n I'll go down 'n—'n"—— She turned away. It was evident she could not clearly express her meaning, and her voice was getting husky.

"Goodby, my little girl," said Mark, going up to her and taking her hand. "I have a notion that if it is necessary to the Union cause for my life to be saved again you will be on hand to save it."

Then the girl went back to the house, and the travelers went on their way.

"Jakey," asked Mark, "can your sister read writing?"

"Reckon not."

"Can you?"

"Can I sing like a bird?"

"Do you mean that you can or you can't?"

"I can't."

"Well, your sister is a good girl, and a smart girl, and a courageous girl. She has saved me once, and if I get into trouble I would rather have her near by than a sergeant and ten men."

"Reckon she giv y' th' hankhicuf ter send instead o' writen."

Mark looked down into the stupid face of the boy beside him. He began to think that the child's stupidity was not flattering to himself, inasmuch as Jakey had penetrated further than he had into Souri's design, and her diffidence as to confessing her ignorance.

"I hope there'll be no necessity for that, Jakey. But we must arrange what we shall pass for in Dixie. Now do you know what you are?"

"Do I?"

"Yes, do you?"

"I'm y'r little brother."

"Exactly. And what are we going to Chattanooga for? What shall we tell em?"

"Goen ter buy caliker fer maw 'n' Souri, 'n galluses fur paw, 'n terbacker fur you uns, 'n a squirrel gun fur me."

When he came to the squirrel gun his little eyes glistened under the rim of his hat.

"By George!" exclaimed Mark, laughing. "You ought to be 'Old Pap's' chief scout instead of me."

"'S thet what y' air?"

"I am just now."

"Golly!"

CHAPTER III.

A CONFEDERATE HOUSEHOLD.

"Have you come far?" asked the girl.

Mark and Jakey trudged on. They met no one on the way, but at one part of the road running through a thick wood they saw a light in the distance to the right in the thickest part. They halted for a moment and then advanced cautiously. Coming to a place where they could get a view of what the light revealed, they saw several men in "butternut," whose horses were picketed near by, lying around the embers of a fire.

"Guerrillas," quoth Mark.

Not caring to disturb these villains, who had no more respect for Confederates than Unionists, they passed on stealthily.

About midnight they came to a rivulet, and Mark concluded to bivouac there. They turned in among the trees beside the road.

"Jakey," said Mark, "before we go a step farther, or do anything in fact, we must fix this money."

He pulled his roll of bills from his pocket.

"Take off your boot," he said.

Jakey pulled off his boot and handed it to his companion. Mark took a number of bills, and ripping out the lining of the boot put it back in its place with the bills under it. Smoothing it down, he handed the boot back to Jakey and told him to put it on again.

They took a bite of the snack Souri had prepared for them and drank from the rivulet. Then they laid down, resting their heads against the root of a tree. It was not long before Jakey was asleep, and Mark drew his head over toward himself and laid it against his own breast. Thus the two rested. Mark slept at intervals, Jakey with all the soundness of healthy, irresponsible boyhood.

The moon was setting, and Mark caught a glimpse of it between the lower branches of the trees and the horizon. When he cast his eyes upward he saw the stars. He fell to musing upon his singular position. He remembered that far to the north of him Confederate cavalry were dashing hither and thither, attacking bridges, capturing the guards, threatening Union pickets and in every way harassing the Army of the Ohio. Yet here he was beyond the Union front, in a region which belonged to no one save the outlaw guerrillas—ruled neither by the United States nor the Confederacy—with all silent and peaceful about him. An innocent face, careless of danger, lay on his breast. The leaves of the trees hung listlessly above him.

Then that blue vault above! Its serenity seemed to mock the puny contests upon a world which, with all its campaigns and battles, was but a grain of sand among the heavenly hosts. Its heaviest artillery could not be heard at the nearest planet. Its marshaled armies could not be seen. Save for the reflected light of the sun it would revolve in space, unknown by those on even the nearest planets. And so musing he fell asleep.

At the first sign of dawn Mark waked Jakey, and after they had both thrown the refreshing water of the rivulet over their heads they started in search of a house, at which they designed to "happen in" at breakfast time. Fortunately they soon found such a place. Turning into the gate at the first farmhouse, a farmer's wife received them kindly and gave them what for that time and country was a palatable meal.

Refreshed by their breakfast, they walked on. Various people—countrymen, negroes, Confederate soldiers and occasionally a squadron of cavalry—passed them on the road, but they were not questioned or interfered with by any one. Occasionally they would ask the road, but upon receiving the necessary information, and after making a few commonplace remarks, would go on. At noon they turned aside from the pike in among the trees and ate what was left of their snack.

About sunset they reached a large place set back off to the left of the road. The premises were more imposing than any they had yet passed, and they judged by it that they were in the environs of Chattanooga. The house was a large, square, old fashioned building, with a very high basement. It had two stories, with a peak roof, in which were dormer windows. A gallery or veranda extended across the front both above and below. Some large trees were scattered about the yard. In the rear were the negro quarters and the barn.

Mark determined to ask for food and shelter for the night here. Turning into the gate, he followed a straight road leading for perhaps a hundred yards to the house. A young girl robed in a white muslin dress of a very simple pattern, and a pink sash, stood on the veranda watching them as they came on. When they reached the steps leading up to where she stood, Mark saw a pair of black eyes looking at him, which, conscious of the deception he was about to practice, seemed to read him through and through. Indeed he was sufficiently confused to take off his hat to the girl with all the grace and manner of a polished gentleman.

"If you please, ma'am," he said, assuming the dialect of a countryman, "me 'n my leetle brother's goen ter Chattenoogy. My brother, he's walked a right smart show fer such a youngker. Could y' give us some supper and a place ter sleep all night?"

"You can come up here and sit down, and I'll see."

"What a musical voice," thought Mark.

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SOUTHERN politicians are right in it. They are getting the cream of foreign appointments.

THE first real appointment from Pennsylvania comes to Mr John M Reynolds, who becomes Assistant Secretary of the Interior. Mr Reynolds is a warm personal friend of Governor Pattison and Secretary Harrity. The hand of Harrity is seen in the selection.

SENATOR RANSOM has introduced a bill to increase the compensation allowed sheriffs for boarding prisoners from 25 to 50 cents per day. Mr Ransom has also introduced a bill providing for the printing of court calendars, and authorizing the county commissioners to pay the bill of costs for the same.

HISTORY is writing itself upon the leaves of merchants' ledgers and bank-book journals, and it is writing that in February 1893, the prosperity of the United States is unprecedented and it is writing that there are grave fears lest the prosperity be changed to adversity by the action of a Congress and a President that seems bent upon changing the system of Tariff under which prosperity has been achieved.

JOHN B. BRAWLEY ex Prothonotary of McKean county has received the appointment of Sixth Auditor of the Treasury Department. Although a highly honorable one the office of "Sixth Auditor" comprehends the most arduous labor of any position under the government. Mr Brawley preceded Mr McElroy as Prothonotary of McKean county for two terms. This has the appearance of being a Brawley year.

THE Port Huron, Michigan, Times says: "Under the operations of the McKinley law Canadian exports to the United States have decreased $4,300,000 while Canadian imports from the United States have increased $6,630,372. The wisdom of the McKinley law has been so well vindicated that the Protectionist party in the dominion purposes enacting a tariff law just like it, including the Reciprocity clause."

A PITTSBURG judge has rendered a decision which, it is to be feared will bring bitter anguish to many a Pittsburg heart. He decides that the free lunch must go from the Pittsburg saloons. The free lunch he says, is contrary to the laws of the State since it is the means of attracting custom. It remains to be seen what the Pittsburg saloon-keeper will do in this emergency. Perhaps he will increase the size of his beer glasses.

THOUGH the next gubernatorial campaign is at least twelve months ahead there is already considerable quiet talk among politicians throughout the State regarding possible or available candidates. And whether or not Congressman C. W. Stone is seriously considering again entering the field as a candidate for the nomination, it must be at least gratifying to him to observe that whenever his name is mentioned as a possible candidate it is very favorably received.

MR. BAYARD has the distinction of being the first Ambassador sent forth by the government. Henceforth the Ministers of England will be known as Ambassadors in return for a similar title bestowed upon the British representative at Washington. It is a change in name only, not in the office. Mr. Bayard is fully competent to fill this most important post. His long service in the Senate and his connection with the former Cleveland administration will be of great value to him. So long as we must have a Democrat at the Court of St. James a better selection could not have been made. Mr Bayard is a thorough American.—*Phila. Inquirer.*

THE employes of the American Tube & Iron Company at Youngstown Ohio, were recently notified that on and after March 20 there would be a 10 per cent. reduction of wages in all departments. The employes have finally decided not to accept the cut, and if it is insisted on by the company will inaugurated a strike. It all depends on whether the employes of the company's plant at Middletown, Pa., accept the reduction. The welders at the Oil City, Pa. Tube Works have been on a strike since March 7 on account of a reduction of wages from $4 to $3.50 per day. The furnacemen have sympathetically quit work, and now the welders have demanded $6 a day.

THE Illinois Legislature has a bill before it appropriating $6010 for the care of Abraham Lincoln's tomb at Springfield. If it passes the disgraceful situation at that tomb may be remedied, although not wholly cured. The monument is owned by an association which has never been able to collect enough money to complete the structure, or even to keep in repair what was built, the present dilapidated condition has naturally followed. This state of things ought not to continue. The association should either raise enough money to finish the monument and care for it properly or it should relinquish its claim to the State of Illinois. The present is a propitious time to call public attention to this matter. Many visitors to the Chicago Fair will have the opportunity to visit the tomb of the martyr President. It would be a national disgrace for them to find themselves compelled to pay an admission fee to a monument almost ready to topple over.—*Press.*

Legislative Committee investigating the charges made by Governor Pattison against the conduct of business in the office of State Printer, Mr. E. K. Meyers, has about completed the labors of the investigation, and the report will, no doubt, be made to the Legislature in a very few days. The summing up of the evidence has shown that the remedies for the correction of the abuses, that were charged to exist in the office of State Printer were entirely in the hands of the State Superintendent of Public Printing and the neglect of the plain duties of his office made it possible for abuses to exist in the office of State Printing. It has not, however, been proven that any abuses existed but it has been quite clearly demonstrated that the Superintendent of Public Printing has been very direlect in the discharge of the duties of his office and further that his recent appointment to the office of Superintendent was a political necessity and the charges against Mr E. K. Meyers the State Printer was a political persecution by Pattison. It is quite certain that the impeachment of Mr Meyers by the Governor wont be sustained and it remains to be seen whether the Executive will retain in office the present Superintendent who has been shown to be entirely unfitted for the duties he has been appointed to discharge and it also remains to be seen whether Mr Meyers will be satisfied with his vindication by the investigation committee.

The "poor" Legislative Record has a hard time of it as the U. S. Postal authorities at Washington wont receive it any longer as second class matter and our postoffice here, because of a recent order from Washington, refuses to receive it except at the rate of postage two ounces for one cent. This rate makes the mailing bill of Senators and Members, who send the Record out to their constituencies, quite an item of expenditure in their allowance of postage stamps. The matter has been made the subject of inquiry and an effort will be made to get the old rate of postage fixed so as to enable the Record to be sent out as usual as second class mail matter.

A plea was made on last Wednesday for a special place on the Calendar of the House on first second and final reading for the World's Fair additional appropriation of $60,000. It is quite certain that the right of way will be accorded to this bill so as to give the Fair Commission the additional sum of money to make a grand success of the exhibits from this State. Lieutenant Governor Watres appeared before the Appropriation Committee of the House in advocacy of the increased sum for the Commission. Governor Pattison to be consistent must veto this appropriation and then it will be seen to what extent he can change the party vote in the Legislature.

The Legislature has passed finally and sent to the Governor the bill that appropriates $550,000 for the improvements to the State Capitol buildings. The appropriation sets aside $500,000 for the erection of a new State Library Building which edifice it is proposed to put up on the site now occupied by the beautiful rustic fountain just south and east of the office of Secretary of Internal Affairs. The remodeling of the main building contemplates changes in the Senate and House of Representatives which changes it is expected will take $125,000. The expectation is to have all the changes made so that at the next meeting of the Legislature everything will be ready for the law makers to meet in the improved buildings.

Representative Kane's bill to compel all unnaturalized aliens 21 years of age or over who may reside and get employment in the State to pay a tax yearly of three dollars was considered on final reading on Tuesday of last week in the House. Mr Kane made a patriotic appeal on America for Americans and urged the passage of the bill as a protection for the labor that is native to the manor born and against the hordes of Huns, Slavs, Italians, etc., etc. that to-day have almost driven the native element out of the labor market. This element he said were not citizens of this country and never became citizens, but when they have accumulated a small sum of money they return to their own land and others come to take their places. It is time he continued to call a halt in extending the hand of charity to subjects of every foreign government that sees fit to empty out upon our shore the worst kind of the pauper element of the lands they come from and neglecting our own citizens. He predicted a stormy future for this country if the custom was not stopped in the near future and he said the emigration laws of the land must be carried out as to this objectionable foreign element. The bill is a K. [illegible] measure and is endorsed by the K. [illegible]

A very interesting hearing was given to the Niles Revenue bill before the Ways and Means Committee of the House on Tuesday evening last when Mr M. E. Olmsted of this city replied to the arguments of the Granger advocating the passage of the measure by the present Legislature as a means of relief to the farmers of the State who, Mr Leonard Rhone the king of the Grangers, says are over burdened with taxation. Mr Olmsted's argument was full of meat and food for the digestion of the Granger delegation present and with figures and facts from some fifty statistics, fifty counties of the State showed that the statements from Mr Rhone and from Mr Pride Erie county were false as to facts and made only for the ears of such persons as never take the pains to investigate for themselves. Mr Olmsted's facts as returned from Mr Rhone's own farm in Centre county were very interesting and the master Mr Rhone, of the Pennsylvania Grangers, who sat just under the speaker did not relish one bit the exposé of the undervaluation of this particular Grange property in Centre county. Mr Rhone made no attempt at a reply and it is safe to assume that the Ways and Means Committee were favorably and strongly impressed with the argument of Mr Olmsted. The Grangers have all along claimed that the farmers of the State were taxed on real estate about 19 mills but from actual valuations and official returns from all the farmer counties of the State Mr Olmsted showed that the farmers of the State only averaged 8 mills and that corporations to satisfy the demands of the Grangers were taxed from 10 to 18 mills, and frequently they were subjected to double taxation. Your correspondent has often written of the Grangers of the State but he has never imputed to them one bit more of honesty or integrity than the other taxpayers, and their cry of over taxation has no foundation in fact. As a class they are perfectly willing that the "other fellow" shall pay just as much tax as can be squeezed out of them, but the poor farmer (?) over-burdened with taxes must be relieved. Mr Olmsted's argument plainly showed that there was not a single honest return made of the value of the farm lands of the State, but he also argued that this was not the fault of the law but of the administration of the law.

The Henry George single tax advocates will be given a hearing on the bill on to-morrow evening and this will probably close the public hearings so far as the House Committee may go. It is problematical as to the position the House Ways and Means Committee may make of the measure, or shall be enacted into a law the "Boyer bill" of the session of 1891 ought to be given a thorough trial.

An attempt was made during last week to revive the defeated bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors on Decoration Day but the liquor element in the legislature was too strong and the motion to reconsider the defeating vote was lost thus defeating the bill on two occasions, at this session and effectually putting a bar to any further proceedings on this measure. A strenuous effort was also made to revive the bill which made it possible to organize a whiskey trust in Pennsylvania but the combine of anti-liquor people to pay back the vote on the bill just referred to was too much and this bill is effectually disposed of for this session.

The free text book bill notwithstanding the fierce opposition of the book trust lobby was on Wednesday last passed by the House of Representatives and sent to the Senate. This bill makes it obligatory upon boards of control and school directors to furnish text books free of charge to the pupils of the common schools of the State.

Farr's compulsory education bill has a very hard road to travel and meets with stubborn opposition from that class of citizens who are friends of the Parochial School system. The bill may get through the Legislature but it will be only to run against a stumbling block when it gets into the Executive Chamber.

Ben Haywood Mercer county was in Harrisburg last week with his little bouquet for State Treasurer in his vest pocket and his county's endorsement for the place for him. Ben has a host of friends in the State and if he can get the nomination will surely be elected.

Major Brown Deputy Secretary of Internal Affairs, is a candidate for the place of Chief of the present department over which he presides as Deputy and if nominated will bring to his support a big following.

It is expected that the Governor will this week send in the name of a successor to Dr Waller as Superintendent of Public Instruction. Professor Schaeffer a well known Normal School teacher will no doubt be given the place. Dr Waller's commission expires some time during the current month.

ALCHOYT

NO LONGER LICENSED PIRATES.

The married woman act of 1887 was intended to join responsibility with power in the possession of property by a woman. Before that time a married woman was a licensed pirate. She might own millions in her own right and the knowledge of her wealth and independence gave her unlimited credit. Yet if she desired to repudiate debts created on the strength of the credit a long line of Supreme Court decisions protected her in this dishonesty. The act of 1887 aimed to cure this. It conferred on a married woman in express terms the same rights and liabilities as she enjoyed after the dissolution of her marriage, as to the management of her real property as if she was unmarried. It retained the prohibition which bars her from becoming an accommodation indorser or surety and from mortgaging or conveying her real estate without her husband joining in the deed. With these exceptions the law deals with her as to her separate estate exactly as if she were single.

This act is a distinct reform in the law bringing it in line with modern ideas, common honesty and good sense. But the courts regarded it at the outset with little favor. They began straightway to minimize it by strict and even highly strained construction. But it is so clear that its language and intent is to upset the old order of things, which made it next to impossible to collect a debt from a dishonest married woman of property protected from her creditors by an impecunious husband that laymen and lawyers would not acquiesce in interpretations which practically repealed the law. The Supreme Court was compelled to return to the law again and again until finally it learned to construe it. In the case of Koechling vs. Henkel, it held that a married woman may now engage in business and enter into contracts in regard to it or the management of her separate estate as fully as a feme sole.

Later the same Court decided that this did not apply so far as to permit the filing of a mechanic's lien against a married woman's separate property unless it was shown that the work done or material furnished was necessary for the improvement or repair of the property that it was so applied and that it was furnished at her request. On February 27 last, the Supreme Court speaking through Chief Justice Paxson, drops that familiar formula which has long barred the honest debts of a married woman, and ruled in Milligan vs. Phipps that the act of 1887 has emancipated women from the shackles of the common law so far as her separate property is concerned and permits her to stand alone and exercise her own judgment. Whether repairs to her separate estate are necessary or not she is the judge and if the work is by her a mechanic's lien is good and I need not state that the work done was necessary for the preservation or improvement of her separate estate.

Notwithstanding the plain letter of the law and the growing tendency of the courts to uphold it some married women still try to escape their liabilities on express contracts. Judge Arnold was obliged to tell one such defendant last Saturday that having given her own note in payment of her husband's debt she cannot now avoid meeting the note by pleading her coverture. In his opinion Judge Arnold recites with some signs of satisfaction the development of the married woman from the former unhealthy condition to its present status, which honors women by recognizing the obligation of her contract as being as sacred as that of a man. Judge Arnold's judicial and extra judicial comments on the law have had no small share in bringing this reform about. There is little doubt that the present condition of the married woman law is due more to his reforming efforts than any other man in the State.

The Supreme Court first thought to whittle down this new law to a skeleton and refine it to a shadow, but it would not do. So that under the law as even the Supreme Court has been brought to recognize it married women in Pennsylvania are independent responsible beings, and are no longer classed as to their contract obligations with minors and idiots.—*Philadelphia Press.*

My wife was confined to her bed for over two months with a very severe attack of rheumatism. We could get nothing that would afford her any relief and as a last resort gave Chamberlain's Cream Balm a trial. To our great surprise she began to improve after the first application, and by using it regularly she was soon able to get up and attend to her household work. E. H. Johnson, of C. J. Knutson & Co., Kensington, Minn. 50 cent bottles for sale by A. B. Armstrong.

When you are troubled with dizziness, your appetite all gone and you feel bad generally, take a few doses of Dr Henry Baxter's Mandrake Bitters, and you will be surprised at the improvement in your condition. Every bottle guaranteed to give satisfaction. For sale by H. C. Wells.

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ever had been read, Mr. E. L. Keenan on behalf of the Rector, Vestrymen and Congregation presented two resolutions passed in a meeting of the vestry last fall, and which had been prepared for presentation to Hon. Henry Hamlin and to the donors of the many gifts to the new St. Luke's Church. The resolution to Mr. Hamlin had been handsomely printed in two colors in large type and bound in red Turkey Morocco the second resolution was printed in the same way and framed to hang on the walls of the vestry room in the Church. Mr Keenan in presenting the resolutions made a very interesting address reviewing the progress of St. Luke's Congregation from the old court house to the school house and from the school house to the building of 1879, on Fulton street, and from thence to the fine stone building erected last summer on Main and Church streets. Some reminiscences were made of the way in which the last change came about and of Mr Hamlin's proposition to build a new Church with the consent of the Vestry. Appropriate reference was also made to the many gifts in cash and otherwise for the furnishment of the new edifice, and the general liberality and generosity of the people.

The resolutions read as follows

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE VESTRY OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH SMETHPORT PA.
OCTOBER 11TH 1892.

WHEREAS, The Hon. Henry Hamlin has voluntarily assumed the task of purchasing a site and erecting thereon a new Church building for the congregation of St. Luke's church Smethport, Pennsylvania, and

WHEREAS, The site situated on the corner of Main and Church streets has been selected and purchased and a new stone church thereon erected at great cost and expense, but free of [illegible] expense or charge to the congregation [illegible] St. Luke's Church, and wholly through the liberality and generosity of Mr Hamlin and at his sole charge and expense, and the same having been by him presented to the Rector, Wardens, Vestrymen and Congregation for their acceptance, and

WHEREAS, It being deemed fitting that a suitable acknowledgment be made. Therefore,

Resolved, That the gift be and the same is hereby accepted by and on the part of the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen for the Congregation and the Corporation of St. Luke's Parish, [illegible] and the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen for themselves and in behalf of the congregation do hereby extend to Hon. Henry Hamlin their thanks for this munificent gift, and the secretary is directed to spread the said resolution of the vestry [illegible] thanks upon the minutes of the Vestry. And further [illegible] directed that an engrossed copy of the said resolution be prepared and presented to Mr Hamlin.

Attest

H. MCCANDLESS, President.
[illegible] KEENAN, Secretary
[illegible] MCCOY, Senior Warden.
[illegible], Junior Warden.
[illegible] H. ROSE, Vestrymen.
[illegible] FORREST [illegible]

WHEREAS, Numerous gifts in cash and [illegible] from time to time have been presented [illegible] for the benefit of the new St. Luke's Church in the fitting up, furnishing and putting the said Church in order and repair for use, and [illegible] being the unanimous vote of the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen that a proper acknowledgment be made of these gifts, therefore

Resolved, That we do hereby extend our thanks on behalf of the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen to the donors for their great liberality and generosity manifested in the premises, and the secretary is hereby directed to spread this resolution on the minutes of the Vestry.

Signed by the members of the Vestry

HIGBY'S BIG BILL.

If Higby of Crawford county ever had the sympathy of the people who voted for him against Andrews, he knocked his chances in the head by his exorbitant bill of expenses in contesting the seat. He was the Democratic Farmers Alliance candidate. One thing that party claims is an economical administration of affairs. They don't want to cheat or rob the State. Yet after Higby failed to get the seat he presents a bill amounting to $3,561. Whoever expects such a result when a man is working for principle mainly? Yet Mr Andrews who was just as clearly entitled to costs of the contest tells the chairman of the committee that he shall present no bill whatever for anything against the State. He bears his own expenses in establishing his right to the seat.

Since the presentation of his sick edge bill it is the opinion of most people in Harrisburg who know anything of Crawford county politics that Higby has committed political suicide. Those who were talking of running him for Sheriff on the sympathy and win by this campaign racket now can quote the idea. [illegible] for any office.

The cost of the contest before Judge Henderson were imposed on the county by a decree of the court. The expenses of the election committee, which will be hardly less than $5,000 must be paid out of the appropriation to this committee. The estimated cost to the State of this contest if Mr Higby's bill passes will not fall much short of $10,000. Expensive business.—*Warren Mail.*

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND is currently reported to be seriously considering the expediency of modifying his predecessor's proclamation respecting trade with Venezuela. We believe that these reports are premature and that he has not yet had the leisure required for determining his policy in relation to the Reciprocity conventions. When he is asked to invoke the proclamation imposing duties upon Venezuelan coffee sugar and hides he will probably study the law which it is his duty to enforce while it remains unrepealed and if he takes pains to read it with his keen perceptions as a lawyer he will naturally be disinclined to assume the responsibility of violating that law. The dogmatic theorist may loudly assure him that Venezuelan coffee is now taxed in American ports and that he ought to remit the duties in the interests of consumers but the Aldrich amendment in the Tariff act is plain and intelligible and the President we are confident will consider it to be his constitutional duty to execute the law as it stands.

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J. B. Wilson, 371 Clay St. Sharpsburg Pa. says he will not do without Dr King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, that it cured his wife who was threatened with pneumonia after an attack of "la grippe" when various other remedies and several physicians had done her no good. Robert Barber of Cooksport, Pa. claims Dr King's New Discovery has done him more good than anything he ever used for lung trouble. Nothing like it. Try it. Free trial bottle at Frank R. Foster's Drug Store. Large bottles, 50c and $1.00.

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LITERARY NOTES.

Will Carleton has written a poem, entitled "Discontent" for the next number of Harper's Bazar published March 25th. Grace L. Furniss will contribute to the same number a very attractive story entitled "Our Only Legal Member" and Katharine De Forest will present "A Few Hints from the French" which will contain matter of no little interest to ladies.

"Romance" for April is the eighth of that magazine's series of special numbers, nearly half of its contents being from the Italian. The most famous Italian authors are represented in this collection and the selections embrace a powerful war story an alms-house sketch a tale of King Humbert's kind ness two sparkling love stories and thrilling incidents and beautiful legendary adventures. Besides the Italian stories there are strong and beautiful tales by Harriet Prescott Spofford, Eva Wilder McGlasson and Mary C. Hungerford and others; an Australian April fool story, a very funny ghost story by Oscar Wilde and one of the most charming of French love stories by Henri de Chennevieres. This interesting periodical comes from Romance Publishing Company, Clinton Hall, Astor place, New York. 25 cents a number. $2.50 a year.

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Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PETITION will be presented to the Court of Quarter Sessions of McKean county, Pennsylvania, at Smethport on Monday, May 8th 1893, at 10 o'clock a. m. [illegible] for the hotel license of Frank N. Taylor granted May 17th 1892 for one year from the first Monday of June 1892, to [illegible] Pope, of Smethport borough McKean county Pa., formerly a superintendent, said license being for a hotel situated at Smethport McKean county and known as the Grand Central Hotel.

J. J. KEENAN Attorney

April 4th.

Notice to Contractors.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by E. L. Keenan, at Smethport, Pa., for the erection and construction of a brick school building in the borough of Smethport until 1 o'clock p. m. of the 25th day of April 1893. Plans and specifications can be seen at the store of W. D. Gallup. The school board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

T. A. MORRISON,
President.

E. L. KEENAN,
Secretary

Notice of Dissolution.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE joint stock company lately doing business under the name of The Smethport Machine Company Limited was on the 18th day of March A. D. 1893 by a vote of all the members thereof, dissolved and the undersigned were by said members elected liquidating trustees for the said purpose of winding up the business of the said Company as provided by the Act of Assembly of June 2, 1874 under which the said Company was formed.

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SPECIFICS.

Election Notice.

Public notice is hereby given that the school directors of the school district of the Borough of Smethport, by a resolution duly passed and adopted on the 25th day of February A. D. 1893, expressed their desire and recommended by their vote, the increase of the indebtedness of the school district of the Borough of Smethport in the sum of ten thousand dollars which said sum is in excess of two per centum and not exceeding seven per centum upon the last preceding assessed valuation of the taxable property therein and have fixed upon Tuesday the fourth day of April, A. D. 1893, as the date of the election, at the usual polling place in said borough, for the purpose of obtaining the assent of the electors of the said school district to such increase of indebtedness.

The amount of the assessed valuation of said school district is	$300,000 00
The amount of the existing debt of the said school district is	500.00
The amount desired to be raised for the purpose expressed below is	10,000.00

The per centum of said increase will be five per cent.

The purpose for which the indebtedness is to be increased is to provide the necessary funds for the erection of a new school building to take the place of the one destroyed by fire on the morning of January 31st, 1893, and also to provide the necessary funds to be used in furnishing the same for school purposes. Tickets will be provided electors, labelled according to law, as follows: On the outside "Increase the debt," on the inside "No increase of debt" or "Debt may be increased."

This in pursuance of the provisions of the act of April 20th 1874, and the act amendatory thereof approved June 9th 1881.

T. A. MORRISON,
President.

Attest
E. L. KEENAN,
Secretary
Smethport, Pa., February 25th 1893.

Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PETITION will be presented to the Court of Quarter Sessions of McKean county, Pennsylvania, at Smethport, on Monday, April 17th, 1893, at ten o'clock a. m., to transfer the Hotel License of J. H. Goodenough, granted May 17th, 1892, for one year from the first Monday of June, 1892, to D. W. Wright of Rew City, Foster township, said county, formerly a lumberman. Said license being for a hotel situated in the village of Rew City, Foster township, McKean county, Pennsylvania, and known as the Songer House.

J. W. BOUTON, Attorney.

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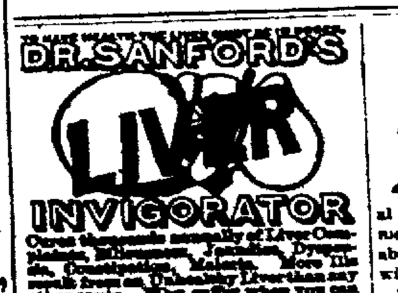

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Smethport, Pa., April 7, 1893.

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The MINER and *Cosmopolitan Magazine* for $3.00.

The MINER and *American Home* ... for $2 00.

The MINER and *Demorest Family Magazine* for $3.10.

The MINER and *National Tribune*, $2 00.

The MINER and *Scribner's Magazine* $3 10.

The MINER and *Home Market Bulletin* for $1.30.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Movings are in progress.

The trouting season is near.

The maple sugar people are "in it."

The easter bonnet bloomed last Sunday.

The mineral incubators are beginning to think of business.

The robin's cheerful warble again inspires the spring poet.

April has been furnishing some very unusual weather of late.

Notice of appeal has been given in the Crossmire murder case.

The "Young-a-I go" dancing club will give a party in the near future.

The ball players are gradually getting into condition for the coming season.

The election of County Superintendent of schools occurs the first Tuesday in May.

It is a Boston idea to write the weight of the baby on the cards announcing its birth.

Civil Court April 17th, License court March 26th and regular term of Quarter Sessions June 5th.

Street Commissioner Black is busy removing the winter's accumulation of rubbish from our streets.

Mrs. Mary E. Lease, of Kansas, has been engaged to deliver the Memorial Day oration in this place.

Present indications give promise of lots of business and work in Smethport during the coming season.

Two omnibuses and other personal property of F. N. Taylor was sold at sheriff's sale Tuesday last.

"The measured stroke of the carpet beater is heard throughout the land." J. B. Baker please take notice.

Don't fail to read the thrilling war story, "Chattanooga," the opening chapters of which appear in this issue.

All kinds of job printing promptly attended to at this office. We have the best stock of type and goods in the county.

The St. Cecelia Society entertained their friends at Backus Hall Wednesday evening. They gave a warm sugar party.

The watch supposed to have been stolen from the residence of Erastus Curtis was found in his wood-house on Sunday last.

Johnsonburg has a new daily paper, the *Evening Mail*. Johnsonburg appears to be getting there with both pedal extremities.

The young people of Smethport enjoyed a post lenten hop at the opera house Monday evening. Heath Bros. furnished music.

A dime social will be given by the young people of the Baptist church at the residence of Mrs. Digel, Water street, this, Friday, evening.

To "Anxious Inquirer" we would say that an adult goat is used as a bock beer sign because kids are prohibited by law from frequenting saloons.

The Excelsior Marble and Granite Works, on Water street, are now open and ready for business. See advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

Gen. H. W. Early, a former Elk county lumberman and well known in this neighborhood, died at his home in Chippewa Falls on March 24th.

Articles of association and letters patent have been granted the Mt. Jewett & Smethport Railroad Company with a capital stock of $150,000.—*Era.*

There will be a private sale of household goods held at the residence of Mrs. G. W. Williams, King street, on Saturday, April 1st, continuing one week.

The general public will be rejoiced to learn that a new antiphlogistic and antitubercular agent called psychophysicus folliculae has been recently introduced.

—The most artistically draped show windows we noticed on Easter were those of the Furniture and Carpet Company. J. M. Kelly always displays good taste in that line.

—James M. Goodwin, brother of Mrs. S. A. Backus, of this place, and an old time resident of Smethport, died at his home in Farmers Village, N. Y., on Thursday, April 6th.

Lola, daughter of D. C. Young, met with a painful accident on Tuesday last. While dismounting from her bicycle she fell and sprained her knee quite severely. No serious result is anticipated, however.

Electrician Edison's business life has not been without its cares. He has had to spend over a million dollars in defending his patents, which have almost been of as much benefit to the lawyers as to their inventor.

—Subject Sunday Morning at the M. E. church "Boys and Girls," a sermon to children. In the evening by request the subject will be "Infidelity." At 6:30 P. M., Miss Bertha Guyer conducts a song service, entitled "Salvation."

A spark from Gifford's mill set fire to the house occupied by S. D. Metzgar on Mechanic street, Tuesday afternoon. The alarm was sounded and the hose company responded, but the flames were extinguished by the mill hands before any damage was done.

The death trap hotel has again come to the front. It is rather strange that the people will not legislate in their own behalf in matters of this kind and provide and inflict a severe punishment for the building of public houses that provide a horrible death in addition to entertainment.—*Ex.*

—G. G. Robbins, the Singer Sewing Machine agent, lost a valuable horse last Wednesday.

—Owing to the fact that the vault in Hamlin's Bank could not be opened on Wednesday last, the employes of Gifford's mills and the Extract Works, were not paid off until Thursday.

—The P. R. R. Co. will run a special train from Clermont to Quinton this (Friday) evening for the accommodation of those desirous of attending the dance given by the Quinton band. Train leaves Clermont upon arrival of W. N. Y. & P. evening train, returning Saturday morning.

—At the election Tuesday it was decided by a vote of 81 to 6 to bond the school district to the amount of $10,000 for the purpose of erecting and furnishing a new brick building in place of the one recently destroyed by fire. The taxpayers of this borough evidently believe in keeping up with the times.

—The Good Friday services at St. Luke's were largely attended, particularly the three hours service and the the children's service at 4 p. m. The church was hung in sombre black and the services were deeply impressive. Seven sermons were preached on the Seven last Sayings from the Cross.

—G. T. Dennis, of Eldred, who for the past four months has been confined to his home, is again able to be about and hopes to regain his health as warm weather approaches. His many friends will be glad to learn that he has been granted an increase of pension, from $6 to $14 on account of sciatic rheumatism.

—At the Baptist church last Sunday evening Rev. G. W. Halliwell preached a sermon to Keystone Encampment No. 77, Knights of St. John and Malta of this place. Twenty-two knights were in attendance and were highly edified. We regret very much not having been present and know we would have profited by the instruction offered.

—A bill has been introduced into the Legislature that ought to become a law. It provides that members of town councils should be allowed one dollar for every meeting they attend, providing they do not exceed two a month. There is no reason why men should serve the public in such places without receiving some compensation, and one dollar a meeting is little enough for any person who is capable of performing the duties of the office.

—S. E. Palmer has been postmaster at Garry, Chautauqua county, N. Y., for 54 consecutive years and has had his office in the same building for all that time. He is now 81 years old, pleasant and cheerful, and runs a small store in connection with the postoffice. He has been photographed by a committee and a life-sized crayon of him will be on exhibition at the World's Fair as the postmaster who has held the position longer than any other person yet heard of.

From present indications it is almost certain that Smethport will have a race track before the lapse of another season. A movement has been started in this direction which promises to yield the fruit of success. It is a project that has long been talked of and if a desirable location can be procured an organization will be perfected. Several business men and lovers of the turf are interested in the scheme, and it is hoped that they will carry out their intentions.

"The hanging of Ralph Crossmire will be the second hanging in the history of McKean county. The last hanging took place in 1879, when Andrew Tracey was executed for the murder of his cousin, Mary Reilly. Since that time ten murders have been perpetrated, all of the assassins escaping the extreme penalty."—*Erie's Mail.* Wrong, neighbor, it will be the third. The first execution in McKean county was that of Ezra Robbins, the wife poisoner, which occurred in 1850.

Governor Pattison has issued a proclamation designating Saturday, April 15th and Saturday April 29th, to be observed as Arbor days in Pennsylvania. The selection of either of the designated days is left to the discretion of the people in the various sections of the Commonwealth; each locality observing the day that is deemed most favorable on account of climatic conditions. Smethport is now one of the prettiest towns in Western Pennsylvania and the proper observation of this day for a few years would make it the prettiest in the State without an exception.

It is well known that no single cause—not even the manufacture of lumber—has been more instrumental in devastating the forests of northern Pennsylvania than the demands of the numerous tanneries which have sprung up during the past 20 years. Oak, hemlock and other barks containing tannic acid are required in quantities of thousands of tons annually. Acres upon acres of forest trees are laid low every year to meet the demands of the numerous tanneries. It has just been discovered, remarks a contemporary, the bark of the palmetto is even richer in tannic acid than hemlock and not greatly behind that of oak. This fact cannot but have considerable influence on the tanning industry. There is in the forests of many of the southern states a vast supply of this bark. It is also said that while oak and hemlock must be felled at certain seasons, the palmetto can be cut at any period of the year without loss of the acid it contains. This discovery may also lead to the greater development of the tanning industries in the south, it being almost exclusively confined to the north at the present time.

Easter at St. Luke's.

The great festival was celebrated with splendor of music and solemn services at St. Luke's. Several were baptized on Easter Even. At 8 a. m. Easter Day most of the communicants received the Easter Communion. The high service at 10:30 a. m. was attended by a very large congregation. The choir in white robes and wearing flowers made a long procession to the altar, and sang the fine service of Cruickshank in E b, with a brilliant anthem at the Offertory. The church was handsomely decorated with many flowers about the Font and Altar; with vines of smilax, clustered lights and large lilies about the reredos. The Rector made a short address instead of the usual sermons, and the services were not prolonged above the usual time. There were five services during the day. The offerings from the congregation and from the Sunday School were large. It was a joyous first Easter Day in the new church.

A car load of choice timothy and clover just received at W. D. Gallup's. tf.

Mother's Friend.

is the greatest blessing ever offered child bearing woman. I have been a Midwife many years and in each case where Mother's Friend has been used, it has accomplished wonders and relieved much suffering. It is the best remedy for rising of the breast known, and worth the price for that alone. Mrs. M. A. Brewster, Montgomery, Ala.

PERSONAL.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

C. E. Sprague visited Olean Tuesday.

C. W. Gaylord, of Chicago, is in town.

C. C. Lowry, of Holland was in town on Tuesday.

The Misses Biggins spent Easter with Eldred friends.

T. J. Hazlett had business at the county seat this week.

E. W. Long, of Mt. Jewett, was about town Monday.

C. C. Kimball drove over from Bradford on Monday.

Mrs. E. W. Bloodsworth, of Olean, was in town Thursday.

V. J. Coleman, of Port Allegany, was in town over Sunday.

Senator A. F. Bannon, of Bradford, was in town this week.

Orlo Hamlin is home from Hobart College on a vacation.

Sheridan Gorton, Esq., went to Pittsburgh last Wednesday.

Miss Mamie Hibbard spent Sunday with Mt Jewett friends.

Misses Hattie Redfield and Orra King are home on a vacation.

Rev. W. F. Shero, of Angelica, N. Y., was in town on Tuesday.

Hon. R. B. Stone, of Bradford, was a MINER caller on Wednesday.

Paul Hamlin and F. D. Gallup returned to Yale College last Wednesday.

Wilfred Winship, of Port Allegany, spent Sunday with Smethport friends.

Mrs. James Anglin, of Bradford, visited friends in town on Wednesday.

"Pete" Daly is again at his post in Palmer's livery, after an absence of ten days.

Major H. O. Heath came up from Eldred Monday evening and fiddled for the dance.

E. C. Clewslade, the popular Mt. Jewett boniface, was in town the fore part of the week.

Miss Maggie O'Reilly left to-day for Bradford where she expects to remain some time.

Miss Hannah Brooder returned Thursday evening from a weeks visit to friends in Bradford.

Mrs. E. C. Eckels, of Cambridgeboro, is a guest of her son, Supt. W. P. Eckels, of King street.

Florenz Sickel of Johnsonburg, the hustling merchant tailor, was in Smethport yesterday.

J. T. O'Reilly, of Pittsburgh, and Mrs. T. J. Sizett are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. O'Reilly.

The genial countenance of Ham Hill again beams from behind the office desk upon guests at the Grand Central.

Mrs. C. M. Colegrove and Miss Tavia Kamer returned Tuesday from a ten days trip in the southern part of the State.

Miss Edna Keenan, who has charge of a department in the Bradford schools, spent the easter vacation at her home in this place.

W. T. Caller and family left on Tuesday last for Sterling, Va. Mr. Caller will spend the summer on his stock farm near that place.

Mrs. F. A. McCoy is quite ill at her home on Green street. Miss May Choate is looking after her household affairs during her illness.

Russell Carter, of Digel, was a caller at this office on Tuesday. Mr. Carter leaves on Wednesday of next week for Weyauwega, Wis., where he intends to spend the summer.

F. A. Thomas, who has been a faithful and exceptionally competent attache of the MINER office for several years, left for Buffalo last Saturday. He has accepted a position in a printing office in that city.

F. R. Foster, of the Central Pharmacy, has been suffering from an attack of la grippe for the past two weeks. During his indisposition the compounding of pills and prescriptions is attended to by J. K. Rice, of Bradford.

Hon. and Mrs. B. D. Hamlin, of Smethport, Pa., are at present visiting their daughter, Mrs. W. F. McCoy, at "Linham," on the Hill. After an absence of two years they appreciate the many and vast improvements in and around the city, and are impressed with them. Their friends hope to keep them for a good long visit.—*Augusta, Ga., News.*

Death of Mrs. Greer.

The sad news of the sudden death of Mrs. M. B. Greer at her home on Green street was circulated in Smethport last Tuesday morning. The community was not prepared for such an unexpected shock and expressions of regret and sympathy were heard on every hand. We learn that Mrs. Greer's death was preceded by several slight hemorrhages of the stomach, the final one which terminated fatally occurring about two o'clock Tuesday morning. The first hemorrhages were speedily abated by the medical attendants, but the last one was so violent and sudden that all efforts were unavailing. The deceased was a wife of Commissioners' Clerk M. B. Greer, who with a beautiful daughter of six years will mourn the loss of an estimable wife and loving mother. She was a daughter of James and Mary McNulty, of this place, and sister of Mrs. John N. Apple, of King street, Miss Anna McNulty, who resided with her, and James McNulty, at present living in Smethport.

The funeral services were held yesterday morning, Rev. Father Cosgrove, of Hartwell, officiating, and the remains were interred in St. Elizabeth cemetery a large concourse of relatives and friends being present.

A Dangerous Injury

Mrs. A. E. Taylor, of this place met with a painful and serious accident at the Grand Central on the afternoon of Saturday, April 1st. While overseeing some work in the hotel kitchen, she made a misstep into a stairway leading to the basement and was precipitated down the flight of steps, her head striking a bolt in a gas pipe. This bolt left a deep laceration cut on the scalp, from the frontal bone to the back portion of the head, and a concussion of the spine also resulted from the fall. Dr. E. O. Brown was summoned and for several days it was feared that Mrs. Taylor would not recover. The doctor informs us to-day that his patient is resting easy and he feels assured of her speedy recovery.

The many cases of rheumatism cured by Chamberlain's Pain Balm during the past few months have given the people great confidence in its curative powers and have shown that there is one preparation that can be depended upon for that painful and aggravating disease. Hoenshel Bros., Loraine, Ohio say: Mr. Moses Price, of this place, was troubled with rheumatism for a long time. Chamberlain's Pain Balm has cured him. He says the Balm has no equal. For sale by A. B. Armstrong.

A LETTER FROM MRS. BAKER.

LARRABEE, April 3d, 1893.

EDITOR MINER:—Letters of recent date from Mrs. Mary E. Lease, of Kansas, have the agreeable assurance that she is coming this spring to visit me, and the home of her childhood. You may, I believe, safely announce that she will make the Memorial Day address at Smethport.

Undoubtedly, most readers of the MINER are acquainted with many of the leading events of interest in the career of this truly remarkable woman. Such as the facts of her being a member of the Wichita, Kansas, Bar. A leader of the Populist movements in politics; having done more to bring the Populist party into notoriety than any man in it. She has the distinguished honor of being the first woman seriously proposed for United States Senate. The only office which I know of her having been appointed or elected, is that of the State Board of Charities, to which she was lately appointed by Governor Lewelling. Last fall she accompanied Governor Weaver during his campaigning tour and spoke in every Southern State but two, West Virginia and South Carolina.

It was as a lawyer that Mrs. Lease first came before the public. Her success, as a special pleader in criminal and civil cases was phenomenal. Possessed of marvelous eloquence, great magnetic influence and a wonderful voice, which she controls perfectly. This end of the century—nineteenth century—Joan of Arc, has charmed thousands and will charm thousands more by the witchery of her eloquence. Last month Mrs. Lease attended as a delegate, the Convention of the Bi-Metallic League at Washington, D. C., and her wonderful eloquence on the cold financial topic of free silver, received extensive notices in the press of that and other cities. I cannot resist quoting here from the peroration of her speech in Concordia Hall: "God give us men, men whom lust for office cannot kill, whom spoils of office do not bribe. Men, if you cannot save this Nation, call upon the mothers as France did in her peril. She sent up her women to Versailles, and for the first time in seven hundred years, obtained a breathing spell from tyranny, etc."

Mrs. Lease is a forcible writer upon various leading topics of the day, and there is a constantly increasing demand from the press for articles from her facile pen. Her versatility as a writer is great. She has written many sweet poems. Indeed she began very young to write verses, and a very meritorious war poem by her, was published in the *Boston Pilot*, when she was scarcely ten years of age!

To those who may be curious as to the personality of this gifted woman, I will say, she is on the sunny side of forty, tall, slender, wonderfully graceful in carriage and movements. A sweet, lovable, truly womanly woman, whose home life is beautiful, blessed by the presence of four lovely children. The daily prayer of each being: "O, God, let me so live that the world may be better for my having lived." Mrs. Lease seriously believes that the time is near, when the barriers of race, sex and nation, shall be beaten down and the Fatherhood of God, and brotherhood of man shall extend from zone to zone, which sentiment should find a responsive amen, in every christian heart and thinking mind. Mrs. Lease comes of good ancestry. Her father, Joseph Clyens, was of the Irish landed gentry. He agitated against the penal laws, so unjust and oppressive to his countrymen and thus incurred the wrath of the British Government. His estates were confiscated, and a price was set upon his head, and to save himself from being transported to Tasmania, he escaped to America. Before coming to this country, he had married a Scotch lady, named Murry, a relative of the present Duke of Argyle. Mrs. Clyens was, I am sure, the most cultured woman who has ever lived in McKean county. A finished linguist, her bright mind stored with knowledge, and varied accomplishments. Poor woman, how sad was her lot. In a strange country, amongst uncongenial surroundings, guilty of the unpardonable sin of poverty. For in her time, as now, the breaking of the whole Decalogue, was as nothing to the crime of being poor. Her husband died a prisoner of war at Andersonville. Her eldest son was killed in the battle of Fredricksburg, a mere boy, a hero whose memory is as fresh in my heart as the day he marched to his death; a patriot indeed.

Mrs. Lease has been at all times an ardent and earnest sympathizer with the Irish cause of Home Rule and frequently lectures on the Irish question. She is loved, almost idolized at her home, especially by the working people, who call her Queen Mary. I am sure she will be warmly welcomed by the people of this region as well as by

Yours Truly,

E. BAKER.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism, his Stomach was disordered, his Liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, O., had five large fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle of Electric Bitters and one box of Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold at Frank R. Foster's Drug Store.

A Frightful Calamity.

A disastrous fire occurred in Bradford last Saturday morning. The Higgins House, located near the B. R. & P. depot on lower Main street, was discovered in flames about 4:30 o'clock. The alarm was sounded and the fire departments were soon upon the scene, but their efforts were unavailing as the flames were beyond control. In a brief time the building was reduced to ashes, resulting in the loss of a number of lives and the injury of many persons who jumped from their windows to save themselves.

The last reports give the following names of persons who perished in the flames.

Asa H. Parks, machinist, Dunkirk, N. Y.

Thomas Cullen, painter, Bradford.

Frank Havelin, engineer, Sunbury, Pa.

Below are the names of persons severely injured who are being cared for in the Bradford city hospital:

John W. Osborn, right ankle fractured, spine hurt and internally injured. Condition very serious.

Jay Cady, burns about face and hands.

Warren D. Graydall, back hurt and internal injuries.

William McClosky, face and hands burned.

The loss to property resulting from this catastrophe is estimated at about thirty thousand dollars.

Mr. Cady died at the hospital Thursday morning.

Guaranteed Cure.

We authorize our advertised druggist to sell Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, upon this condition. If you are afflicted with a cough, cold or any lung, throat or chest trouble, and will use this remedy as directed, giving it a fair trial, and experience no benefit, you may return the bottle and have your money refunded. We could not make this offer did we not know that Dr. King's New Discovery could be relied on. It never disappoints. Trial bottles free at F. R. Foster's Drug store. Large size 50c. $1.00.

Notice.

All persons owing me book account are hereby notified to call and settle the same on or before May 1st, 1893, as I wish to balance my old books.

P. D. Hopkins.

April 4th, 1893.

Electric Bitters.

This remedy is becoming so well known and so popular as to need no special mention. All who have used Electric Bitters sing the same song of praise.—A purer medicine does not exist and it is guaranteed to do all that is claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all diseases of the Liver and Kidneys, will remove Pimples, Boils, Salt Rheum, and other affections caused by impure blood. Will drive malaria from the system and prevent as well as cure all malarial fevers. For cure of headache, constipation and Indigestion try Electric Bitters.—Entire satisfaction guaranteed, or money refunded.—Price 50 cts. and $1.00 per bottle at F. R. Foster's Drug Store.

A car load of choice timothy and clover just received at W. D. Gallup's. tf.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

KANE.

Our new policeman is not an expert revolver shot at long range.

Willie, the 18 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Weigley, is ill.

Miss Ethel Crossmire returned to school at Clarion, Pa., on Tuesday.

Many from Warren, Ludlow and Sheffield attended the funeral of Mrs. Campbell.

Mrs. Lou Brown, of Erie, Pa., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Harry Hoar, of Media alley.

James McDade is rebuilding the store house that was destroyed by fire. The roof is on.

Engineer Dwyer returned Saturday from Florida. The trip has benefitted his health.

Andy O'Laughlin has rented a suit of rooms in Kesler building and is moving his family there.

Miss Richardson, the Meadville hair dresser, is here attending to her lady patron's hair and switches.

Two car loads of butter boxes were shipped to New York city this week from the Lay & Sperry factory.

F. W. Fatch was in Bradford Wednesday of last week, looking after his property there, and also the Vermont fortune.

Rev. Hall preached an excellent sermon on "The Resurrection," in the M. E. Church, Sunday evening, to a large congregation.

Mrs. Wm. Winslow, of Kanesholm, dislocated her right shoulder Sunday, by falling down stairs. Dr. Evan Kane is attending her.

James Landrigan, of Kushequa, was calling on Kane friends last week. Jim's step is not as elastic as it was twenty-five years ago.

E. H. Long is at Elkins, West Virginia. He may move his family there in the near future. Ed. writes the climate is more salubrious here.

The first freight west, No 31, ditched three empty box cars, pulling out of the west end of the P. & E. yard Wednesday evening. No persons injured.

Squire Lem Davis and assistant, Harry Jim, are expecting quite a large matrimonial business now, as Lent is over, provided the Judge succeeds in running them in.

J. McClure, of Bradford, E. L. Keenan and J. W. Bouton, three legal lights, were in Kane Tuesday of last week, taking testimony in the Curtis and Camp brothers equity case.

W. P. Eckels and daughter Martha, spent several days in Kane last week. The Prof is quite partial to the *Republican* office, spending much of his time there. He was not looking as robust as usual.

There is a rumor that the P. & E. R. R., folks will soon commence the erection of an elevated foot bridge across the yard, in the rear of the Kane House. This will supply a much needed want for the people who reside on the west side of the track.

Prof. Cooper, of Derrick City, and our J. H. Grady, were bustling around lively last week. It's a case of reciprocal affinity, where one good turn deserves another. County Superintendent of Schools and Postmaster of Kane, hand in hand we go.

On Tuesday, March 28th, at a stated meeting of Palmogus Commandery Knight Templars, held in Erie, Pa., Prof. J. C. House was elected Most Eminent Treasurer, by an unanimous vote. It's an honor unsought, but a just recognition bestowed on a worthy brother and honored member of this conclave of brothers who gave it.

Regular services were held in the Presbyterian Church. A few rare plants and flowers, and two baskets of colored Easter eggs by Dr. Harriet Kane and Wm. Hubbard, for the Sunday school children, were the Easter attractions. Rev. E. L. Graham preached two sermons containing many original thoughts, which at an election held by the congregation after the service, gave him the pastorship as a stated supply for the congregation for one year.

Councilman Ed. Stopher has just got back from the Inaugural festivities. He says he was not an office seeker; the rulings of the President does not effect him materially only financially. His brother Charley, who has been engaged in the lumber business several years, in Southampton county, "Old" Virginia, came with him. Charley is very enthusiastic over the country down there. It suits him socially and politically. No wonder they are all Democrats.

The Catholic Church was very tastefully trimmed with rare and rich plants on Easter Sunday. The altar was studded with Bermuda lilies, placed in a circle; the lights from the candles casting a shivering on them that resembled a rainbow to the writer sitting in the rear of the church. The Easter hymns sung by the choir were sweet and appropriate, sending forth in joyous strains, in accord with the tune of the pipe organ, giving alternate sad and happy thoughts to the worshippers to the Son of man, who died for all.

Mrs. Geo. W. Campbell died Saturday shortly after 11 o'clock a. m., at North Kane, in the Pullman sleeping car Marion, in which she was brought from Jacksonville, Florida. Her health has been failing for some time. About two years ago, a trip west benefitted her, and several weeks ago a trip to a southern clime was suggested as a last resort. Mr. Campbell and daughter Annie, took her to, or near Jacksonville, Florida, where for a time she seemed to rally. Mr. Campbell returned home, leaving his wife and daughter there, expecting that she would have a new lease of life, and perchance recover entirely. He had been at home only a few days when he was called back, only to learn a change for the worse had taken place. Procuring a sleeping car, the start for home was begun, Mrs. Campbell sinking rapidly. Friday night the family was summoned to meet the homeward bound train at Corry, Pa., Saturday morning. Leander Mott, her brother, with his wife, the four sons of the dying lady, with their families repaired to Corry. Miss Clara, the eldest daughter, having preceded them. It is thought that at Corry, she recognized all her children, then being very low, but conscious when the train reached Kane, at 11:07 a. m., Saturday, where the car Marion was detached from the P. & E. train, and taken to North Kane, over Mr. Campbell's own railroad, where she expired in the car, in sight of, and less than twenty-five feet of the home she so much desired to see once more. Dr. Evan Kane met the train on its arrival at Kane, and pronounced her dying. She was 50 years of age, and most highly respected by all. She leaves a husband and six children to mourn her loss. The funeral services were held in the M. E. Church at 2 o'clock Monday. It was one of the largest funerals in the history of Kane. The W. C. T. U., and Odd Fellows attended the funeral. Her last prayer was answered; it was that she might be permitted to see her children, and she saw them at Corry. Her remains were laid at rest in the new cemetery. The floral tributes were profuse, beautiful and fitting.

PORT ALLEGANY.

P. O. Gallup, of Austin, was in town on business Monday.

William Roys is building a horse barn on his Broad street lot.

Mart Larrabee, of Roulette, was in town on business last Friday.

Charles Franklin has purchased a lot on Benson's proposed addition to the borough.

Frank Taylor, of Smethport, was shaking hands with friends in town last Monday.

D. L. Snyder, of Buffalo, spent Sunday in this place with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Lillibridge.

C. Wolford is moving into his residence on Main street, which he lately purchased of M. J. Colcord.

Robert Arney has a new Cleveland bicycle. It is the lightest and most expensive owned in Port Allegany.

A. F. Bard is making some repairs on his residence on Main street, and is building a new side walk in front of his place.

Mrs. O. L. Blackman, of Coudersport, and daughter, Mrs. Haggie, of Ithaca, are visiting with friends in town this week.

There are two new cases of scarlet fever in this place—Eva Mott, the little daughter of H. J. Mott, and Frank Eckert's little boy. Both are doing well.

Miss Snyder, of Sweden Valley, who has been visiting with her sister, Miss Kattie Dolley, of this place for the last few days, returned to her home last Monday.

J. D. Ford is making arrangements to purchase Ole Hasson's mercantile business at Roulette, which consists of a large store with a good stock of goods, and a good trade.

John G. Hall made a business trip to Olean last Monday. Mr. Hall is finishing up two very pretty residences on Church street, which has been extended through the Benton farm.

E. P. Dalrymple & Co., are making some much needed improvements on the interior of their store building on the corner of Main and Mill streets, which consists of painting and papering.

The gas pipe leading from the wells to this place, bursted near the river last Monday evening, and Port Allegany had rather a Sunday appearance until about 9 o'clock p. m., when the gas was again turned on.

Easter Sunday was observed by all of the churches in this place, and the churches were all beautifully decorated with flowers and plants. Appropriate programs were well carried out at the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian churches, Sunday evening to large audiences. The Presbyterian church continued their services to Monday evening with a beautiful Easter Cantata. About three weeks had been taken in preparing it, and it was a grand success for the little ones who took the different parts, and much credit is due to Rev. Arney, who had charge.

MT. ALTON.

Prof. Dunlley visited Mt. Jewett last Friday.

Mrs. Geo. Beaumont visited Bradford friends last Monday.

L. Rogers, of Smethport, was in town last Wednesday.

Easter brought to the home of Henry Quinn a beautiful daughter.

Miss Eliza Quinn, of Bradford, is visiting friends in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Halabrooke visited at the residence of Wm. Robinson last week.

Mrs. Joseph Wagoner, visited Bradford friends last Wednesday and Thursday.

Our school gave an interesting program last Thursday afternoon, that was enjoyed by a number of our people.

An Easter program was rendered at the M. E. Church last Sunday evening, which was enjoyed by the large congregation.

Mark Hardie, who was taking a ten days trip through Clearfield county, and other coal sections, returned home Wednesday.

John Hafner was in Smethport last week settling up his accounts as collector of Lafayette township, with the Commissioners.

A warm sugar supper will be given at the M. E. Church next Thursday evening. We hope every one in town may be hungry for the delicacy.

Mrs. William E. Green, who has lived in this township many years, died at her home on the North Head, last Saturday morning. The funeral services were held at Bradford Monday.

Isabel Lodge, Daughters of Rebekah, of this place, have changed their meeting nights from the first and third Friday of each month to the first and third Saturday. It being believed a better attendance can be secured by so doing.

G. W. Lewis, whom we mentioned last week as about ready to leave Kinzua Bridge, found out after having made all arrangements in regard to selling his property, the R. R. Co., would not transfer the Ground Lease to the other party, consequently he may remain for some time yet to come.

Mrs. A. J. Rose, of Bradford, accompanied by Miss Mary Strong, of Wyoming, N. Y., visited at the residence of Geo. Graff last week. ts

[illegible] were among the [illegible] and in this same house her mother was married seventy-two years ago, March 17, this date being at that time the golden wedding of grand parents.

COLEGROVE.

Mrs. Lena DeHass visited relatives in Olean last week.

Rev. Maynard announces an Easter sermon to be delivered next Sunday.

Everett Conners, who has resided at Crosby the last four years, is now living at Clermont.

Walter Ross is in the employ of A. Ebert, of Richmond, Va. Mr. Ross is building a dwelling house for Mr. Ebert at that place.

Al Painter, a carpenter, who has been residing at Crosby, started for Chicago the first of the week, where he intends to work during the summer.

Albert Olmstead has purchased the house occupied by H. DeHass and belonging to J. Colegrove, where he will soon locate. Mr. DeHass will occupy the McDowell house.

By request, the correspondent explains that Miss Dollie Oviatt, mentioned last week, has dropped the childish name of Dollie, and will be known in the future as Miss Hortense Oviatt.

The strike among the mill men at Crosby began Monday of this week, about 10 o'clock, p. m., and closed three quarters of an hour before 11 o'clock the afternoon. No need to call out the Militia.

Rev. Latimer could not fill his engagement to deliver the lecture at this place last Thursday evening. Rev. Grimes, of Olean, came in his place and gave an illustrated lecture on the "Life of Elijah".

EVERYBODY'S COLUMN.

Items of Interest Gathered from Various Sources by the Man With the Shears.

Baltimore introduced gas in 1860.

A car load of choice timothy and clover just received at W. D. Gallup's. tf.

The United States still have 2,836,757 square miles of public land.

—Piles of people have piles, but DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve will cure them. Sold by A. B. Armstrong.

The New York divorce courts put assunder about five couples per day.

Whiskey and tobacco habit cured or no charge. Don't fail to correspond. J. L. COCHRANE, Lock Box 217, Greensburg, Pa.

The Simplon tunnel will when finished be the largest in the world.

Rheumatism is quickly cured by using Arnica & Oil Liniment. For sale by H. C. Wells.

Something new in the line of collars Glenson & Lemmler have just received what is termed a cork collar. Call in and examine it before purchasing elsewhere.

I. D. Heard, of Washington, Ga., owns an Italian violin that is 250 years old.

A little ill, then a little pill. The ill is gone the pill has won. DeWitt's Little Early Risers the pills that cure great ills.

Said a noted man of 60 years, "my mother gave me Dow's Elixir for coughs and colds when I was a boy." For sale by H. C. Wells.

Itch on human and horses and all animals cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. This never fails. Sold by A. B. Armstrong Druggist, Smethport Pa.

Room rent for office is $1 00 a square foot per year around Madison Square New York.

The breaking up of the winter is the signal for the breaking up of the system. Nature is opening up the pores and throwing off refuse. DeWitt's Sarsaparilla is of unquestionable assistance in this operation.

The settlers on the Quillayute prairies in Washington are afforded fine sport in the fall and make this region their winter home.

English Spavin Liniment removes all hard, soft or calloused lumps and blemishes from horses, blood spavins curbs, splints, sweeney, ring-bone stifles, all swollen throats, coughs, etc. Save $50 by use of one bottle. Warranted the most wonderful blemish cure ever known. Sold by A. B. Armstrong Druggist, Smethport Pa.

The most intelligent people of our community recognize in DeWitt's Little Early Riser's pills of unequaled merit, for dyspepsia, headache and consumption very small, perfect in action.

The strongest recommendation that any article can have is the endorsement of the mothers of the town. When the mothers recommend it you may know that the article has more than ordinary merit. Here is what the Centerville North Dakota, *Citizen* says editorially of an article sold in their town: "From personal experience we can say that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has broken up bad colds for our children. We are acquainted with many mothers in Centerville who would not be without it in the house for a good many times its cost, and are recommending it every day. 50 cent bottles for sale by A. B. Armstrong.

A Man Who Could Keep His Temper.

"A man may be pretty smart in a great many things, but it isn't everybody that knows how to hold his temper," remarked Clarke Warren of New Orleans at the Lindell yesterday. "I saw a very old case down in Mississippi last week. It was in a railroad restaurant. A young lawyer, a mammoth fellow physically, had some words with a colored waiter. The negro was very abusive, and at one stage of the quarrel pulled a gun. We all thought that that meant death for one or the other of them, but no; the lawyer did not seem a bit worried, and some bystanders took the gun from the waiter. The latter then followed the young fellow out to the platform and renewed his abuse and demands for satisfaction. The rest of us were dumfounded at the action of the lawyer. He was evidently no coward, and it was just as evident that he was more than a match for the waiter.

"Finally the negro struck at him, merely knocking his hat off. Then some one hustled him away. After he was gone somebody spoke to the young fellow about it, and he said it would be poor policy for him to disgrace his family by becoming a murderer, and that it would be just as disgraceful for him to engage in a fist fight. Another thing, it would do that waiter good to be taught a lesson, and on his return he would have him arrested and sent to prison for a year or so. That man knew how to keep his temper, and I guess, after all, he took the right view of the matter."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Monkeys That Enjoy a Joke.

In a large cage in the Philadelphia zoo were kept at one time about 20 monkeys. Among them were two big, wise looking apes with gray beards and hair, and with the mien of stoics. They had very long, straight tails, and a habit of sitting high up from the ground and allowing their tails to hang at full length. In the same cage were three or four brown cebus monkeys, who were much devoted to exercise and fun.

While the big monkeys would cling to the side of the cage or sit on a perch some 10 or 12 feet from the ground one of the little brown monkeys would stealthily creep up to one of them and suddenly grasp the end of the long tail and swing with all its might. Of course the "big un" could not lift his tail because of the weight of the little monkey clinging to it. He could only climb down the side of the cage with his burden until he could reach the floor.

During this operation the brown monkey kept swinging until his own tail touched the floor, at which instant he would release his hold and spring to the top of the cage, followed by the outraged monkey amid the screams of the others.

By the time he had reached a point where he could attack his little tormentor, who would show some signs of resistance and cause him to pause for a moment, another brown monkey would seize his long tail and take a swing.—R. S. Garner in New Review.

Whooping Cough.

Humphreys' specific No. 20 may be considered as absolutely infallible for the cure of whooping cough. It allays the irritation, moderates the cough and so cures the disease.

Do you lack faith and love health? Let us establish your faith and restore your health with DeWitt's Sarsaparilla.

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It counts to have just what everybody is wanting and at prices that nobody else is matching. The full life of the store always has a cheerful welcome for all comers, but the attractions of
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——New Spring Dress Goods——
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Makes it unusually pleasant to shop here now. Every need of women and children can be satisfied among the Dry Goods, Cloaks and Draperies of this store.

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——Window Shades——
——Full Line of Upholsteries——
——Ladies' and Children's Waists——

When in Bradford visit the Bazaar; we welcome strangers at all times. No trouble to show the new goods at this store. An elegant line of New Spring Dress Goods at 12½, 25, 50, 75 cents and $1.00 per yard.

New line of Ladies' Mackintoshes, from the cheapest, to the very best. We are Bradford agents for the "Her Majesty" Corsets and the Princess of Wales Mackintoshes to sell at $3.00, $7.50, $10.00, up to $25.00 each.

Send for samples of anything. We'll send them.

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of us. This accomplished with an invention of our own which is fitted to all our Bicycles without extra charge. Do not buy without looking over our fine lines at all prices, and remember a saving of 10 per cent power is quite an item and has other advantages.
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Notice to Contractors.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received by P. D. Hopkins, at Smethport, Pa., for the construction of a main sewer in the Borough of Smethport, until 3 o'clock p. m. of the 20th day of April, 1893.

Plans, specifications and profile can be seen at the Chautauqua House. All bids must be on the printed forms that will be furnished on application to D. Bacon. The council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

D. BACON, Burgess.
P. D. HOPKINS, Sec'y.

March 23, 1893.

AUDITORS' REPORT

OF KEATING TOWNSHIP FOR 1892.

Lincoln Gallup in account with Keating township Special road fund tax.

	Dr.	
To duplicate		$ 321 49
	Cr.	
By exonerations	$ 12 55	
By tax returned to Co. Com.	1 50	
By paid S. H. Elder, supervisor	215 97	
By commission on $296 84 at 5 per cent	14 83	
By paid W. P. Beckwith, balance due	76 61	321 49

S. H. Elder in account with Keating township as supervisor for year 1892.

	Dr.	
To seated duplicate, 10 mills	1156 74	
To cash from Co. Com.	330 00	
To road order	150 00	
To cash from Co. Com.	2200 00	
To bonds sold		
To received from Thos. Hussey, ex-collector	30 27	
To received from Co. Treas. Fagan	675 00	
To received from A. A. Daly, ex-collector	40 00	
To received from Lincoln Gallup, collector	215 97	
To bal. due S. H. Elder	[illegible]	5019 67
	Cr.	
By exonerations	49 18	
By receipts and vouchers filed	3157 57	
By paid Lena Martin bond	[illegible]	
By worked out seated tax	1011 83	
By amt of taxes turned over to new supervisor	16 50	
By 218 days services as supervisor at $1 50 per day	327 00	
By 125½ days services man and team at $4 per day	500 00	
By commission on $[illegible] at 2 per cent	36 92	5069 67

N. U. Hyde in account with Keating township as supervisor for year 1892.

	Dr.	
To seated duplicate, 10 mills	1411 23	
Recd of Thos. Hussey, ex-col.	30 27	
Recd of A. A. Daly, ex-col.	110 00	
Recd of L. Rogers, Co. Treas.	550 00	
Recd on bonds sold	600 00	
Recd on road order	650 00	
Balance due N. U. Hyde	89 19	3440 69
	Cr.	
By exonerations on seated duplicate	23 15	
By receipts and vouchers filed	882 33	
By paid on Lena Martin bond	277 79	
By worked on road duplicate	1301 83	
By discount on $600 road order 6 per cent	36 00	
By 210 days services as supervisor at $1 50 per day	315 00	
By 146 days services man and team at $4 per day	584 00	
By com. on $[illegible] at 2 per c.	41 62	
By taxes transferred to Beckwith and Sanders	35 90	3440 69

And now, March 27, 1893, we the undersigned auditors of Keating township, having examined the accounts of Lincoln Gallup collector, S. H. Elder and N. U. Hyde supervisors, find as above stated.

A. T. STRAHAHAN,
D. L. HAYES,
F. CHILDS,
} Auditors.

I. S. REYNOLDS, Town Clerk.

Claims acknowledged by N. U. Hyde to be due from Keating township.

	Dr.	
To Mike O'Malley for work	4 27	
To George Rice for lumber	4 46	
To Thos. Vanstickle for work	1 75	
To John McKernon for work	4 00	
To T. McCarty (Big) for work	2 00	
To Martin Burns for work	2 92	19 40

BOND FUND 1892.

Chris Herzog, bond No. 1, due Nov. 11, 1893	1300 00	
Chris Herzog, bond No. 2, due Nov. 11, 1894	1300 00	2600 00
Debts contracted by former supervisors including Lena Martin bond paid by Elder and Hyde		2187 30
Claims due township.		
A. A. Daly, ex-col. bal. due	6 00	
Amt due from Co Treas about	424 38	430 44

A. T. STRAHAHAN,
D. L. HAYES,
F. CHILDS,
} Auditors.

I. S. REYNOLDS, Town Clerk.

The Man Who Wears Shoes
Wants first of all Shoes to wear—likes to look at them when they are off, perhaps, but he buys 'em to wear.
The Tuxedo Shoe
doesn't disappoint him—in wears—it looks well, too.
2½ Dollars.
BLOODSWORTH & CO. Good Shoes Only.
(Mention this paper when ordering goods.)

STICKNEY, RITCHIE & CO.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

In this department we are prepared to furnish you with best makes at in the market. We are selling for gents fine wear the celebrated Douglass shoes, in all the new styles and colors for spring

The ladies fine shoes are from the well known factory of Reynold Bros. Utica N. Y. which is a guarantee of both styles and prices.

Our line of school shoes for children in the kangaroo are positively the best thing money can buy, and will wear, and do wear better than any other childs shoe We have the Agency of the above lines of shoes, and a trial will convince you of their superior quality.

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Is always complete, we have a new fresh stock of everything in this line, and by buying and selling for cash we are enabled to give you rock bottom prices.

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Empire Flour $1 per sack, Northern Light $1.10, Acme Patent $1.30, per sack.

STICKNEY, RITCHIE & CO.

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for a man, woman or child.

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I have already had a call from Santa Claus, and am now ready for a call from you I also have a

GROCERY DEPARTMENT

and keep the best. Respectfully

D. C. YOUNG,

Smethport, Pa., Dec, 1892. Cor Main and Union Streets.

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- Silver Plated Spoon Holder.
- Silver Plate Pickle Dish.
- Set Silver Plated Knives.
- Set Silver Plated Forks.

And an article for each additional $25.00 for a period of from six months to one year. This gives each one of my customers a chance to secure a whole set of Silverware without costing them a penny. All goods are sold as cheap as the market will allow. Remember the place, corner of Mechanic and Mill streets.

P. D. HOPKINS,

Smethport, Pa., April 14, 1892.

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Foreign and Domestic Fruits, Nuts, Etc.

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Cigar Holders, Cigar Cases, Cigarette Cases, Matchsafes, in fact everything in the Smokers' line.

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Sick Headache and relieve all the troubles incident to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, &c. While their most remarkable success has been shown in curing

SICK

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HEAD

Ache they would be almost priceless to those who suffer from this distressing complaint; but fortunately their goodness does not end here, and those who once try them will find these little pills valuable in so many ways that they will not be willing to do without them. But after all sick head

ACHE

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[illegible]

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Smethport, Aug 8th, 189[illegible]

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A Brief Review of "Ex-Libris," Old and New.

The book plate, "Ex-Libris," to use the jargon of the cult—a label designed specially to proclaim the owner's possession and bearing as a rule his coat of arms or some [illegible] Undeniable [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] examples of fifteenth century work are extant. Mr. Percy Fitzgerald in his "Book Fancier" refers to some dated A. D. [illegible] and [illegible], but it is only fair to add that specialists ignore their existence. Whatever the date of the origin there is no doubt concerning the popularity of the fashion today. London has an Ex Libris book plate society [illegible] devoted to its study, so too has Berlin. [illegible] have devoted monographs to French Ex Libris. Castle has a purely treatise [illegible] examples, and a [illegible] magazine articles in [illegible]. French and Germans make up quite a bulk [illegible] literature of the subject.

The Hon. Leicester Warren, in his guide to the study of book plates, [illegible] their general classification and [illegible] "Chippendale," [illegible] and the like, as pertaining to [illegible] Mr. Castle in his recent Handbook for Students of Ex Libris [illegible] study to English examples, while Walter Hamilton's late book has to do with French book plates. Both volumes are [illegible]

As it happens that great names are often [illegible] interesting designs, the [illegible]

CHARLES DICKENS.

[illegible] to Thomas Carlyle, Charles Dickens, [illegible] Tennyson [illegible]

[illegible] Mr. Henry Irving [illegible]

[illegible]

An Interesting Invention.

A floating rope has been invented. According to The Industrial World the inventor claims that his floating rope of one inch thickness will stand a strain of more than 7,000 pounds. The rope consists of a [illegible]

Aluminium Horseshoes.

In the Russian army a number of horses were shod with one shoe of aluminium and three iron shoes, in order to test the comparative durability of the new material. The result of the experiment, as stated by [illegible] was that after six weeks' [illegible] hard and stony ground the aluminium shoes were found to have suffered less [illegible] and were still serviceable [illegible] The weight of the new shoe is [illegible]

The Large Prey of a Spider.

In [illegible] the astonishing [illegible] of the spiders that build their webs in trees and other places, the St. [illegible] that one of [illegible] to have in captivity in that [illegible] The [illegible] of the wings and feet of the bird were bound together by some sticky substance, to which were attached the threads of the spider which was slowly but surely drawing up the bird by an ingenious pulley arrangement. The [illegible] hung head downward and was [illegible] with little threads that it would not struggle, and would soon have been a prey to its great ugly captor had not [illegible] reached it.

Scientific Brevities.

Electricity is to be utilized in drying tea in Ceylon.

To write with ink on bright metal surfaces an industrial authority directs: Rub the surfaces to be marked briskly with a piece of india rubber. Silver, tin and nickel sheets may be written on by following this method.

Engraving on glass with electricity is a recent and interesting invention.

That old established cough remedy, Downs' Elixir, still more than holds its own in the public estimation, despite sharp and active competition. It is a "home remedy," and in this locality needs no words of praise, so well and favorably known is it. It is the standard remedy for coughs, colds and all throat troubles, with great numbers of our people, and their continued use and unsolicited recommendation of it speaks volumes in its favor.—Burlington Vt., *Free Press.*

The following item has been going the rounds of the press and as our druggist A. B. Armstrong handles the goods, it may interest our readers: Having had occasion to use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, it gives me pleasure to state that I found it to be the best medicine for a cough I ever used; in fact, it cured me of a cough that had baffled several other cough medicines.—N. B. Burnett, Atalissa, Iowa.

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Business College.

Spring Term.

A special term of eight weeks at half rates will commence at this institution on Monday April 11, 1892, also a summer term of the same length of time and rates will begin July 11. All persons attending the two terms can graduate in any of the departments for from [illegible] to [illegible] Saving at least [illegible] in either business or shorthand course. Rates for either term: Business course, $20; Shorthand and Typewriting course, $18; Typewriting and Penmanship $[illegible]; English branches, $8; Penmanship, $5; all other branches equally as low. Send for special circular. Address A. W. SMITH, Meadville.

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LEAD PENCILS.

A Brief Sketch of How These Useful Articles Are Manufactured.

The manufacture of lead pencils from graphite has become an important industry, about [illegible] pencils being used every day by the people of the United States alone. The method of making pencils is as follows: The graphite is taken in lumps to the stamp mills and there pulverized under water. It is then taken to the factory in the form of dust and there separated according to fineness by repeated washings. The coarser and [illegible] particles settle to the bottom of the first tub, and so on to the last, which has only the very finest powder. This is so fine and soft that it can be taken up in the hand like water, but can scarcely be retained in the hand any more than water can.

This powder is now mixed with clay—a peculiar pipe clay brought from Germany being used by the lead manufacturers—in proportions varying according to the degree of hardness required. The more clay used the harder the pencil. The graphite and clay are mixed together with water to the consistency of thick cream, and the mixture is fed to the grinding mills, which consist of two flat stones about 2 feet in diameter placed horizontally, only the upper one revolving.

Between these the mixture is ground like paint, for the finest pencils as many as 24 times, thus securing the most perfect fineness, uniformity and freedom from grit in the leads. After grinding the mass is inclosed in stout canvas bags and the clear water forced out by hydraulic pressure until it becomes thick dough. It then goes to the forming press. This is simply a small vertical iron cylinder, having a solid plunger or piston driven by a screw.

A plate is inserted in the bottom, having an opening of the size and shape of the lead desired, and the graphite is slowly forced through the whole, exactly as water is forced from a syringe, coiling itself round and round, like a coil of wire, on a board set beneath the press. The coil is taken up at intervals [illegible] straight by the hands in lengths sufficient for three leads, which are straightened out, laid in order on a board and pressed flat by putting a [illegible] over them. They are finally hardened by placing them in a crucible and heating in a kiln.

The [illegible] done expeditiously, as the leads begin drying immediately and become brittle as they dry, but at first leaving the press they are so plastic that [illegible] may be tied loosely in them. The leads are now ready for their wooden cases. At the sawmill the wood is cut into blocks about 7 inches long, and these are sawed into strips about 2 ½ inches wide and three-sixteenths of an inch thick. These boards are shaped by machinery and grooved. The lead is then [illegible] between them, and the parts are glued together.

Leaning Tower of Pisa.

This celebrated and beautiful bell tower is situated in the city of Pisa, Italy, and was built during the twelfth century by the German architect, William of Innspruck. It is cylindrical in shape, 50 feet in diameter, 180 feet high and leans about 14 feet out of the perpendicular. It is entirely of white marble and consists of seven stories divided by rows of columns. The top, which is surmounted by a flat roof and an open gallery commanding a fine view of the surrounding country, is reached by 330 steps. The tower was not originally intended to lean, but the foundation settled [illegible] on one side than on the other until it reached its present inclination, which it has [illegible] with scarcely perceptible increase for hundreds of years.

"Carbonite" Bearings.

A form of "carbon" bearing is being introduced with considerable success in Great Britain, says Popular Science News. It consists of a mixture of graphite and soapstone, hydraulically compressed, baked and turned to the shape of an ordinary brass. The admixture of steatite makes it possible to mold the graphite to any desired shape, and adds considerable toughness to it and capability of withstanding shocks. Carbon bearings are useful in places where constant attention to lubrication is inconvenient, as in cable car lines, and where accidental inattention to lubrication is productive of dangerous results, as in machinery used in the manufacture of explosives.

Where the Ark Rested.

The mountains of Ararat referred to in the [illegible] the plain of Arexas in Armenia and are divided into two peaks [illegible] Ararat and little Ararat. The summit of the former is 17,323 feet above [illegible] of the latter 12,840 [illegible] the resting place [illegible] lower portion of [illegible] upon the peaks, and [illegible] the fact that at an [illegible] feet the climate is [illegible] to temperate, the harvests are quick to mature and abundant, while the peaks for [illegible] feet below their summits, are continuously covered with ice and snow.

The Largest Kitchen.

An English writer is authority for the statement that the Bon Marche in Paris possesses probably the largest kitchen in the world. It provides food for all the employees of the house, [illegible] in number. The smallest kettle holds [illegible] quarts, the largest [illegible] quarts. There are 40 frying pans, each of which is capable of cooking 300 cutlets at a time or of frying [illegible] pounds of potatoes. When there are omelets for breakfast, 7,800 eggs are used. The coffee makers [illegible] make [illegible] quarts of coffee daily [illegible] cooks and 100 kitchen boys are employed, according to the authority quoted.

What Is a Baby?

Here are some answers sent to London Tit-bits:

The prince of wails.

An inhabitant of Lapland.

The morning caller, noonday crawler, midnight brawler.

The only precious possession that never excites envy.

A key that opens the hearts of all classes, rich and poor [illegible]

A stranger [illegible] cheek, that enters a house without a stitch to his back, and is received with open arms by every one.

The Stinging Tree.

The stinging tree of Queensland, Australia, is described in Popular Science News as a shrub growing from 2 inches to 15 feet in height. [illegible] pleasant to the eye, it emits a disagreeable smell and causes excruciating pain even for months to any one who has the misfortune to get stung by it. There is no mark left on the part affected, but it is tender in rainy weather or when wetted. Dogs and horses have sometimes to be shot after being stung by it.

Two Valuable Friends.

1. A physician cannot be always had. Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sprains, Bruises, and Burns occur often and some times when least expected. Keep handy the friend of many households and the destroyer of all pain, the famous Red Flag Oil 25 cents.

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My catarrh was very bad. For the last thirty years I have been troubled with it—have tried a number of remedies without relief. A druggist advised Ely's Cream Balm. I have used one bottle and I can say I feel like a new man. I make this voluntary statement that others may know of the Balm.—J. W. Matteson (Lawyer) Pawtucket, R. I.

SOUND EYES.

How to Keep These Delicate Yet Much Enduring Organs in Health.

It has been very truly said that it is not so much what is done to the eyes as what is not done that produces the greatest effect. In other words, given a pair of eyes that are all right at the start, and it is a great deal easier, barring accidents, to preserve them, to prolong their period of greatest use and beauty, than it is to remedy defectiveness or the result of misuse after it has been incurred. To this end Good Housekeeping specifies as follows some of the things not to do:

In the first place, the eyes should never be severely taxed when this can be avoided. This does not mean because for these very delicate servants are so marvelously and powerfully constructed that they will stand a great amount of hard work if the conditions are favorable, without injury. Some of the most injurious practices are those connected with reading, especially the modern fine type and poorly printed newspapers.

Reading upon railroad trains or street cars is to be avoided if possible, since the vibration of the book or paper constantly breaks the focus and imposes a severe strain upon the eyes. Reading by a low light, as at twilight, or with too strong a glare upon the paper, especially if reflected directly toward the eyes, are equally harmful. So is reading in bed or in any recumbent position where the matter must be held in a constrained manner and the eyes be twisted into unnatural positions to see the page.

The effect may not be immediate, and when it is noticed will generally be ascribed to anything else rather than the right cause, but in fact it is the continued and excessive strain which induces that feeling of weariness about the eyes, that dull headache just in the rear of the pupils, that heated feeling, which very readily becomes a chronic inflammation of low degree, most disagreeable to bear and ruinous to the fine charm and unspeakable glory of the perfect eye.

The same result is also reached by using the sight steadily while the person is physically or mentally exhausted and in need of complete repose. How often the remark is heard, "Let me look over the paper while I rest myself!" And this may even be done under the specially unfavorable condition above referred to, such as lying on a lounge or in a hammock, where the light and the position are wholly wrong. Better much better if the safety of the vision and the preservation of the organs of sight are of any value, to allow the mental or physical process of restoration to go on without diversion from book or paper.

The Art of Going to Bed.

According to an English physician, there is still something to learn in the matter of nursing. In hospitals as in private practice, great errors are made in the choice of bedclothing for the sick, and particularly for the sick who are suffering from febrile affections. We have got rid of the heavy curtains around the bed of the grand accumulator of dust and uncleanliness, the tester, of the heavy valance, which converted the under part of the bed into a close cupboard, in which all kinds of unwholesome and cumbrous articles lay concealed, including sometimes excreted matter itself, and we have banished the carpet, which often, as a hard trodden, dust laden rag, made the floor beneath the bed permanently impure. This is all good, but the old feather beds, thick mattresses, heavy blankets thick, impermeable and dense counterpanes still encumber many a patient, rendering ventilation of his body as impossible as in the days of our forefathers. The art of going to bed is one which has been studied and practiced for untold centuries, but, according to Dr. Richardson, people still "go to bed" in a very unwholesome and stupid fashion.

CHRISTENINGS.

Pleasant Social Customs Popular in Connection With Them.

When children are to be christened at home, it is a growing custom to celebrate the event by giving some sort of social entertainment, the size and arrangement of which depends upon the taste and circumstances of the parents. If many are to be invited, an authority upon manners and social usages advises that the invitations be sent out formally, as though for an afternoon reception. The usual hours selected are from 4 to 6 p. m. Upon a small table a silver or china bowl is placed, which is used as a font. Flowers in abundance are never in bad taste at a christening.

After the clergyman has performed the rite according to the formalities of his church congratulations are offered to the father and mother, and the child is petted and admired or removed to its own apartment, according to its desire or its aversion to society. Refreshments are offered as at any afternoon entertainment, and they are usually of a richer quality than are provided at an informal reception. Of course the customs of this pleasant occasion are varied according to the poetic or artistic fancies of the family, but should be always beautiful and cheerful.

Good Form and Fashion.

There is a vast deal more difference between good form and fashion than most people imagine, and there are many who labor under the misapprehension that form is synonymous with style. The New York Tribune points out the distinction between the two in the fact that whereas good form involves perfect and correct taste, combined with a complete absence of exaggeration and affectation, fashion and style do not. The latter are often tainted by vulgarity and by the loudness of their appeals to the attention of the public, whereas good form implies quiet refinement and elegance, a lack of all ostentation and violent contrast and an adaptation of fashion to one's needs, ideas and appearance instead of any subservience thereto. When good form is allied to originality, it becomes what the French call "chic."

Little Giants.

Little Giant was a sobriquet of Stephen A. Douglas, from his small stature associated with great intellectual strength. In the presidential campaign of 1860, when he was one of the two candidates of the disrupted Democratic party, campaign clubs were organized, calling themselves Little Giants, uniformed after the manner of the Republican Wide Awakes.

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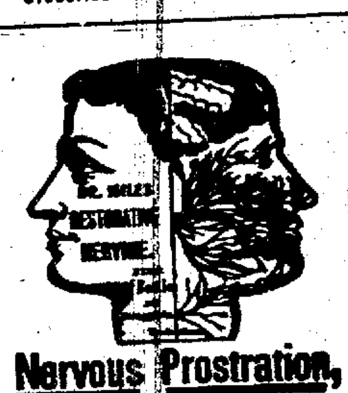

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AR. EASTW'D.			STATIONS.	LV. WEST'D.	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Coudersport	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Pine Creek Je.	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Harmony	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Black Basket	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Abbaside	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Mina	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Knowlton	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Roulette	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Lymansville	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Coleman	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Port Allegany	[illegible]	[illegible]

PINE CREEK DIVISION.

[illegible]	[illegible]	Coudersport	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pine Creek Junction	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fair Grounds	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ladona	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Sweden Valley	[illegible]

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE. In effect Dec. [illegible]

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION

EASTWARD.

[illegible] a. m.—Train 6, daily except Sunday for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] p. m., New York [illegible] p. m., Baltimore [illegible] p. m., Washington [illegible] p. m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia.

[illegible] p. m.—Train 4, daily except Sunday for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., New York [illegible] a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. [illegible]

[illegible] p. m.—Train 4, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., New York [illegible] a. m., Washington [illegible] a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and passengers [illegible] Philadelphia. Passengers [illegible] for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Harrisburg.

WESTWARD.

[illegible] a. m.—Train [illegible], daily except Sunday for Ridgway, DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations, leaves Ridgway [illegible] p. m. for Erie.

[illegible] a. m.—Train [illegible], daily for Erie and intermediate stations.

[illegible] p. m.—Train [illegible], daily except Sunday for Kane and intermediate stations.

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[illegible]

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Daily except Sunday.

NORTH. A. M. Lv.	STATIONS.	SOUTH. Ar.
	Ridgway	[illegible]
9 [illegible]	Johnsonburg	[illegible]
9 30	Glen Hazel	[illegible]
10 10	Straight	[illegible]
10 [illegible]	Instanter	[illegible]
10 24	Smith's Run	[illegible]
10 30	Wendel	[illegible]
10 37	Clermont	[illegible]
10 45		

Connections are made with train [illegible] at Johnsonburg at [illegible] p. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at [illegible] also at Ridgway with train 6, leaving [illegible] at [illegible] p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

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